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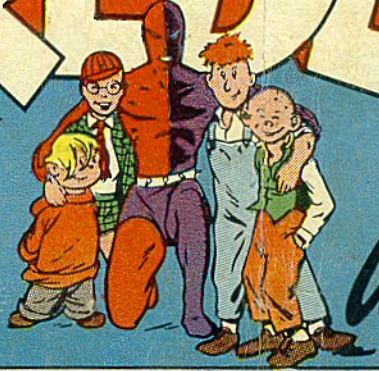


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featuring *The Little Wise Guys*

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BE CAREFUL WITH THAT FOOD, SCARECROW! I'M SO HUNGRY, I COULD EAT A WORN SHOE!

HE DROPPED IT!!

YIKES! NOBODY BUT NOBODY COULD BE SO DUMB!



CHARLES BIRO

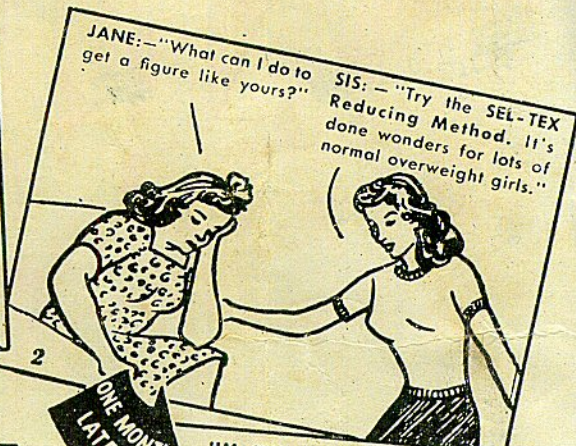
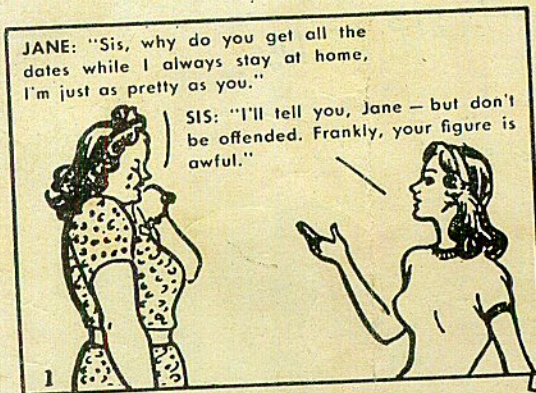


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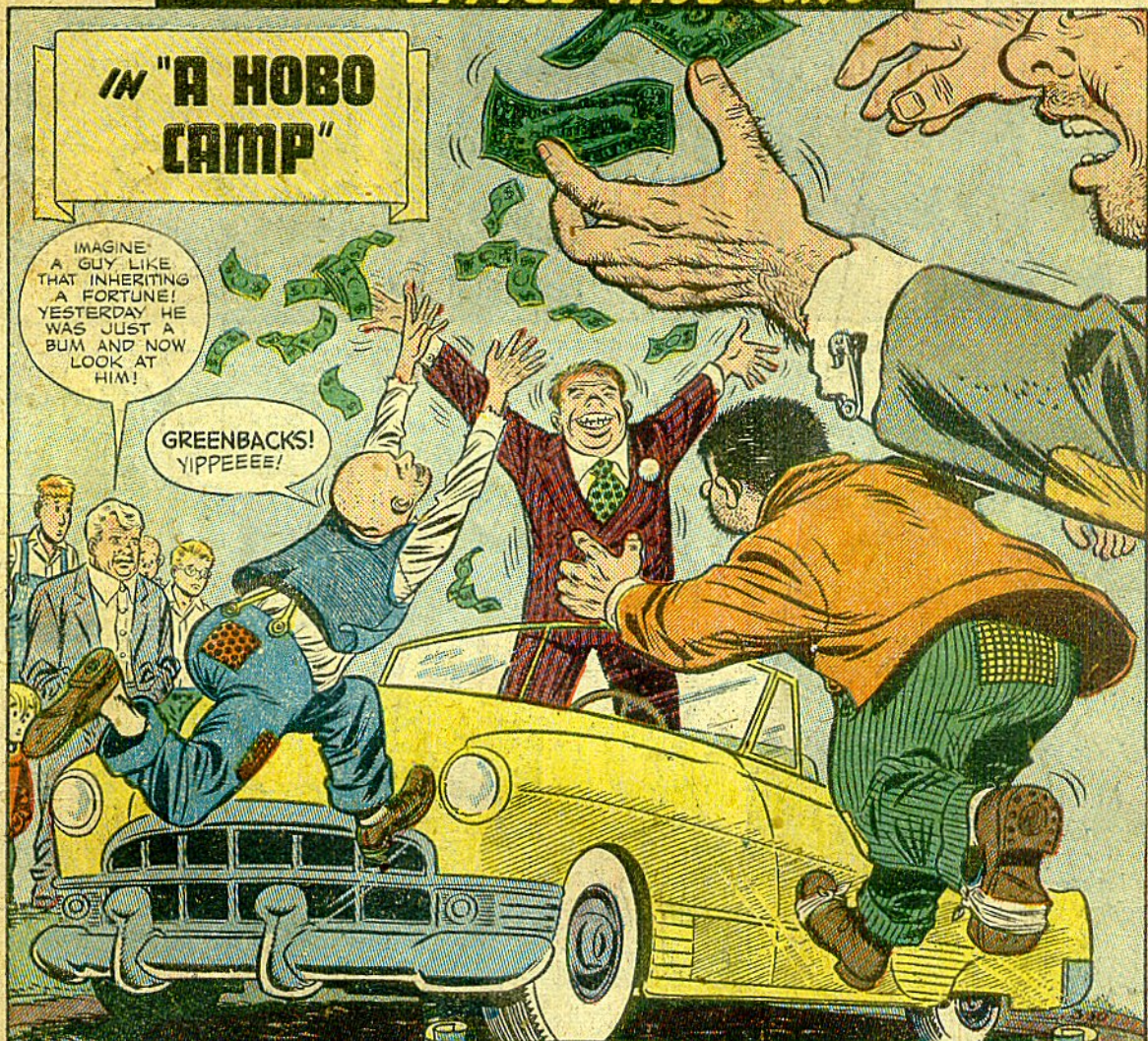
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and the **LITTLE WISE GUYS**

IN "A HOBO
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YESTERDAY HE
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GREENBACKS!
YIPPEEE!



STORY BY

**CHARLES
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ILLUSTRATED
BY

**NORMAN
MAURER**

EVERY NOW AND THEN ONE COMES ACROSS A BOY WITH UNUSUALLY SUPERIOR INTELLIGENCE! WHATEVER THE REASONS FOR THIS ARE, THERE IS NO ASSURANCE THAT HE WILL REMAIN COMPARATIVELY MORE BRILLIANT THAN THE AVERAGE! SOMETIMES, HE WILL LOSE HIS GREAT ABILITY AND ADVANTAGE ALMOST OVERNIGHT! OTHERS DEVELOP THEIR GIFTS AND IMPROVE WITH AGE, GIVING TREASURES TO MANKIND!

WHETHER DANNY DESMOND RETAINS HIS UNUSUAL INTELLIGENCE, OR, LIKE A MORNING GLORY, BLOOMS AND DIES, HE IS ONE SWEET BOY WHO DESERVES ALL THE GOOD FORTUNE HE ATTRACTS IN THIS STORY!

Charles Biro



OH, BOY! GET A LOAD OF THAT! WHAT A VACATION TRIP WE COULD HAVE WITH THAT OUTFIT! GEE, I WISH WE COULD AFFORD IT!

IT IS A BEAUT! MAYBE WE COULD FIGURE OUT SOME WAY TO EARN THE MONEY!

I KNOW A WAY! WE COULD GET PART-TIME JOBS AS PIN BOYS AT THE BOWLING ALLEY! HOW ABOUT IT?

SWELL IDEA!



SO YOU BOYS HAVE DECIDED TO START YOUR CAREERS AS PIN BOYS, EH?

NOT EXACTLY, MR. FRANKS! WE JUST WANT TO EARN ENOUGH MONEY TO BUY SOME CAMPING EQUIPMENT!



IN MY HOBOING DAYS WE DIDN'T HAVE ANY FANCY EQUIPMENT! THE CLOTHES ON OUR BACKS, AN OLD TIN BUCKET, A CAN OPENER AND A CAN OF BEANS WAS ALL WE EVER NEEDED! OH, EXCUSE ME, HERE COMES A FRIEND OF MINE!



HI, DANNY! HOW COME MR. FRANKS IS PLAYING AND YOU'RE WORKING AS PIN BOY? I THOUGHT HE WORKED HERE!

HE DOES! BUT HE AND MY UNCLE STEVE LIKE PLAYING TOGETHER SO I SET PINS FOR 'EM! THE MANAGER DOESN'T MIND IF IT'S A QUIET NIGHT!



HEY, JOCK, I'VE SET UP FOURTEEN GAMES SO FAR! HOW MUCH IS THAT AT THIRTY CENTS A GAME?

UM...LET'S SEE...

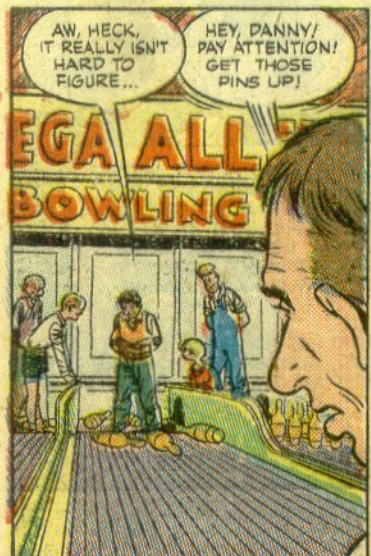
FOUR-TWENTY!



GEE! HOW'D YOU EVER FIGURE IT OUT SO FAST? WHAT ABOUT ME AN' CURLY? I DID NINE GAMES AND HE DID ELEVEN!

2.70-
3.30-

YOU'RE A WIZARD, DANNY! NO WONDER YOU STARTED HIGH SCHOOL WHEN YOU WERE ONLY ELEVEN!



AW, HECK, IT REALLY ISN'T HARD TO FIGURE...

HEY, DANNY! PAY ATTENTION! GET THOSE PINS UP!



HOW'S THE NEW JOB, UNCLE STEVE? DO YOU THINK YOU'LL GET THAT RAISE YOU WERE TALKING ABOUT SOON?

WELL...IT'S HARD FOR AN OLD MAN LIKE ME, DANNY! YOU'D THINK MY EXPERIENCE WOULD COUNT FOR SOMETHING BUT INSTEAD EVERYONE GIVES THE BEST JOBS TO COLLEGE GRADUATES!



BUT, UNCLE STEVE, I SHOULDN'T THINK THEY'D HIRE COLLEGE MEN TO SHOVEL COAL!

AHEM! I WASN'T REFERRING TO THAT! I TOOK THE SHOVELLING JOB SO I COULD WORK UP TO ONE OF THE EXECUTIVE JOBS!



WELL, I HOPE YOU KEEP THE JOB FOR A WHILE, UNCLE - WE NEED THE MONEY! THE RENT'S NEARLY DUE AND THE MILK BILL SHOULD BE PAID THIS WEEK!

DON'T WORRY, DANNY! I'LL ATTEND TO IT!



MORNING!

RING



I GUESS THE ONLY JOB UNCLE STEVE EVER REALLY DID LIKE WAS BLACKSMITHING! IT'S TOO BAD PEOPLE DON'T USE HORSES ANY MORE! FROM THE WAY HE TALKS ABOUT THE OLD DAYS, HE REALLY LOVED THAT WORK! HEY! UNCLE STEVE! GET UP!



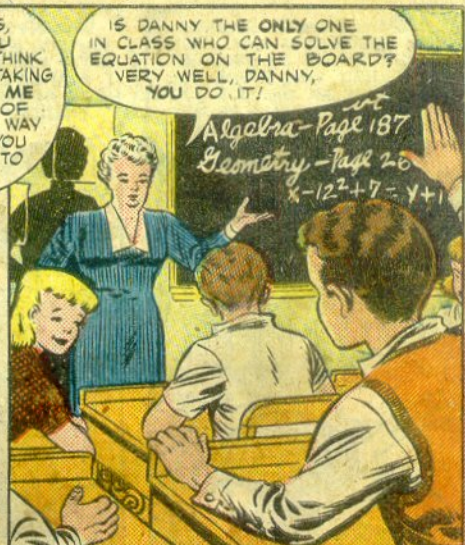
UNCLE STEVE! BREAKFAST IS SERVED! WAKE UP! YOU'LL BE LATE FOR WORK!

HMM - SNIFF, YES! RIGHT AWAY, DANNY!



DON'T FORGET TO LEAVE A NOTE FOR THE MILKMAN - AND BE SURE TO PUT OUT THE GARBAGE! THEY COLLECT IT TODAY! I'LL START SUPPER WHEN I COME HOME FROM SCHOOL!

MY GOODNESS, THE WAY YOU ACT YOU'D THINK YOU WERE TAKING CARE OF ME INSTEAD OF THE OTHER WAY AROUND! YOU RUN ALONG TO SCHOOL!



IS DANNY THE ONLY ONE IN CLASS WHO CAN SOLVE THE EQUATION ON THE BOARD? VERY WELL, DANNY, YOU DO IT!

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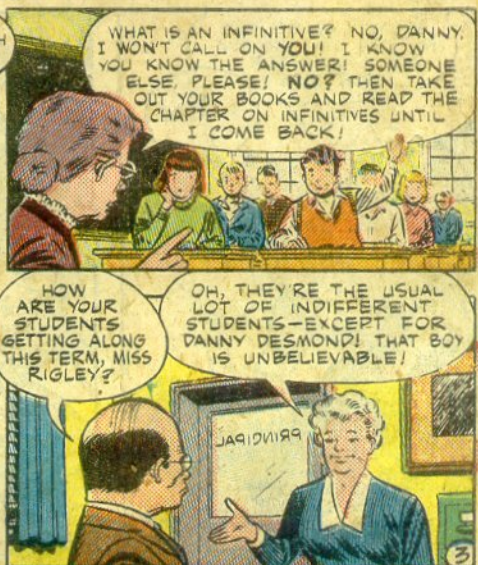
CORRECT, DANNY! IF THE REST OF YOU HAD ONE HALF OF DANNY'S INTEREST AND ENTHUSIASM THERE'D BE NO FAILURES AT THE END OF THE TERM!

AW-BUT HE DOES IT WITHOUT HALF TRYING!



WHO WILL GIVE ME AN EXPLANATION OF OSMOSIS? OH, COME NOW, SOMEONE ELSE BESIDES DANNY! ALL RIGHT, YOU GIVE ME THE ANSWER, DANNY!

OSMOSIS IS THE PROCESS BY WHICH TWO LIQUIDS, OR GASES PASS THROUGH A MEMBRANE OR POROUS WALL AND...



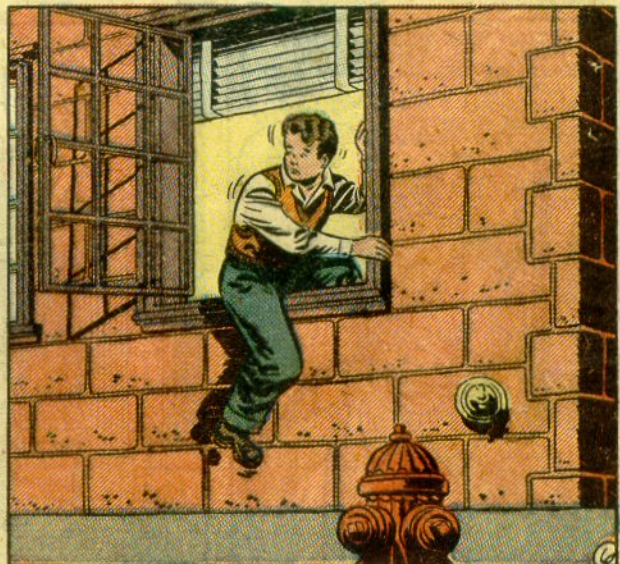
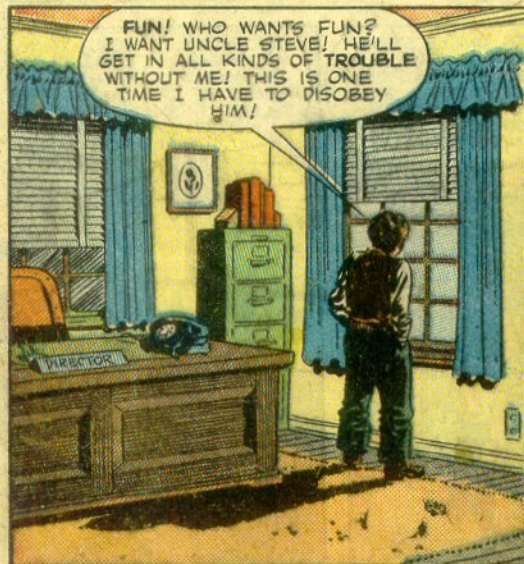
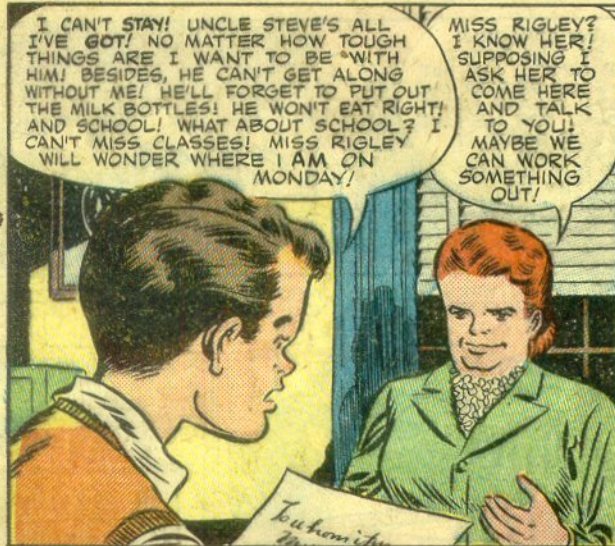
WHAT IS AN INFINITIVE? NO, DANNY, I WON'T CALL ON YOU! I KNOW YOU KNOW THE ANSWER! SOMEONE ELSE, PLEASE! NO? THEN TAKE OUT YOUR BOOKS AND READ THE CHAPTER ON INFINITIVES UNTIL I COME BACK!

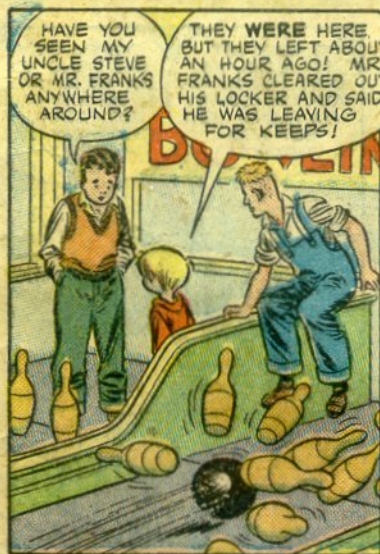
HOW ARE YOUR STUDENTS GETTING ALONG THIS TERM, MISS RIGLEY?

OH, THEY'RE THE USUAL LOT OF INDIFFERENT STUDENTS - EXCEPT FOR DANNY DESMOND! THAT BOY IS UNBELIEVABLE!











THEY'LL HEAD WEST! I'M PRETTY SURE OF THAT! I'M GOING DOWN TO THE FREIGHT YARDS! MAYBE I CAN FIND THEM BEFORE THEY START OFF!

WE AREN'T GOING TO LET YOU JUST GO WANDERING AROUND ALONE! WE'LL GO WITH YOU—ONLY FIRST GIVE ME A CHANCE TO 'PHONE DAREDEVIL!



SINCE HE'S DETERMINED TO KEEP SEARCHING, YOU'D BETTER STAY WITH HIM TO KEEP HIM FROM DOING ANYTHING FOOLISH! KEEP IN TOUCH WITH ME!

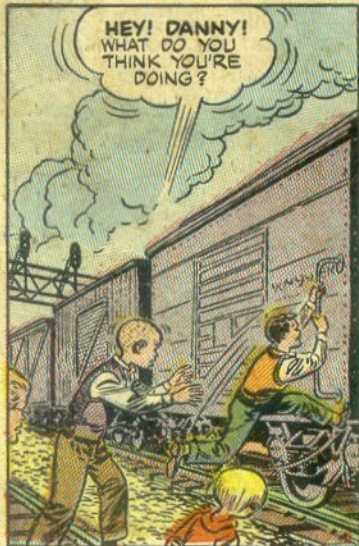


SURE, DAREDEVIL! AND IF HE WON'T GO TO THE ORPHANAGE MAYBE WE CAN TALK HIM INTO STAYING OVERNIGHT WITH US AT THE BARN!

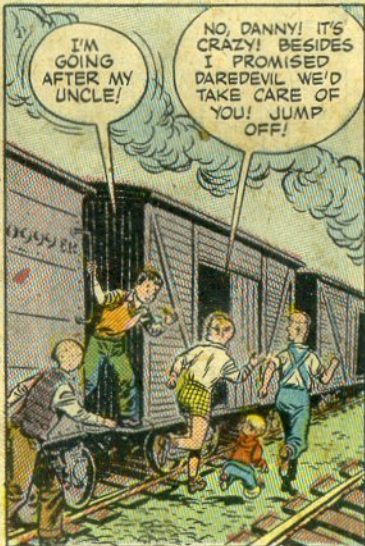


WE'VE LOOKED AND LOOKED, DANNY! I THINK IT'S HOPELESS! YOU'D BETTER COME BACK WITH US!

THEY'D TAKE OFF FROM HERE AND HEAD WEST! I'M PRETTY SURE OF THAT! I CAN'T STOP LOOKING! I HAVE TO FIND UNCLE STEVE!



HEY! DANNY! WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU'RE DOING?



I'M GOING AFTER MY UNCLE!

NO, DANNY! IT'S CRAZY! BESIDES I PROMISED DAREDEVIL WE'D TAKE CARE OF YOU! JUMP OFF!



HE WON'T GET OFF! GOSH, HE CAN'T TRAVEL ALL OVER THE COUNTRY ALL ALONE! HE'LL GET INTO TROUBLE!

THERE'S ONLY ONE THING TO DO! WE'LL HAVE TO GO, TOO! C'MON, GET ABOARD BEFORE THE TRAIN PICKS UP SPEED!



I JUST KNOW D.D. IS GOING TO GIVE US THE DICKENS FOR DOING THIS BUT WE COULDN'T LET DANNY GO BY HIMSELF!



I DON'T WANT TO MAKE TROUBLE FOR YOU! FINDING MY UNCLE IS MY PROBLEM! YOU CAN STILL GET OFF!

NOPE! WE'RE STICKING WITH YOU!



(GULP) IT LOOKS AS IF COMPANY IS DROPPING IN!



WELL! SINCE WHEN HAVE KINDERGARTEN KIDS STARTED HITTING THE RAILS? WHAT'S THE BIG IDEA? RUNNING AWAY FROM HOME?

N-NO! I-I'M LOOKING FOR MY UNCLE AND HIS FRIEND-THEY'RE HOBOING! YOU HAVEN'T SEEN THEM, HAVE YOU? MY UNCLE IS A BIG MAN AND MR. FRANKS...

FRANKS? NEVER HEARD OF HIM AND I'VE BEEN HOBOING THIRTY YEARS! EVERYONE KNOWS ME—BIG JIM CRABLEY! YOU STICK WITH ME AND I'LL SHOW YOU THE ROPES!



WE'VE STOPPED!

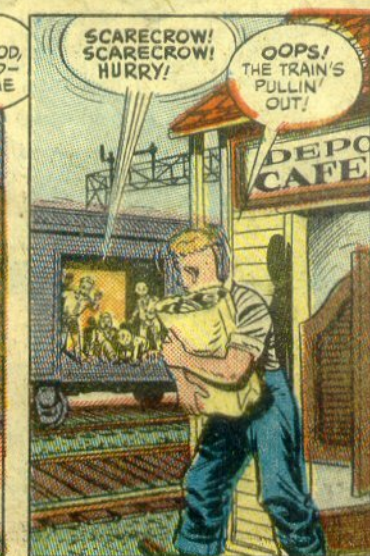
TRAIN ALWAYS STOPS HERE! HEY, YOU, DANNY! RUN OVER TO THAT STORE ACROSS THE TRACKS AN' BUY ME A LOAF OF BREAD AND A HALF POUND OF BOLOGNA! I'LL GIVE YOU A BUCK!



THAT FOOD MAKES ME HUNGRY. WE HAVEN'T EATEN IN TWELVE HOURS!

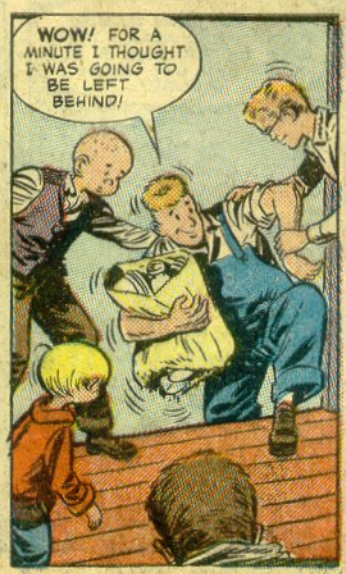
WE'VE GOT MONEY! LET'S GET SOME FOOD, TOO! MILK-BREAD-MEAT—HERE'S SOME MONEY!

I'LL GO!

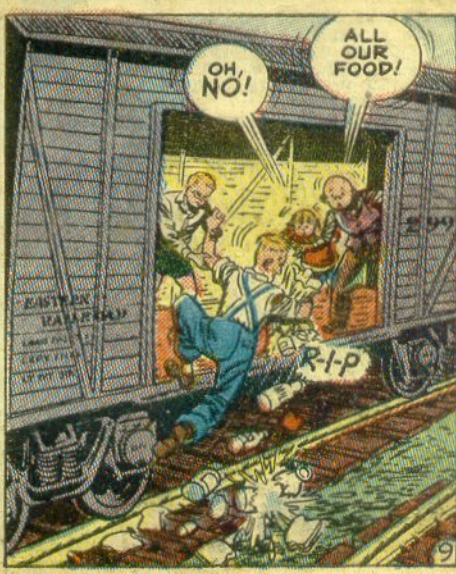


SCARECROW! SCARECROW! HURRY!

OOOPS! THE TRAIN'S PULLIN' OUT!

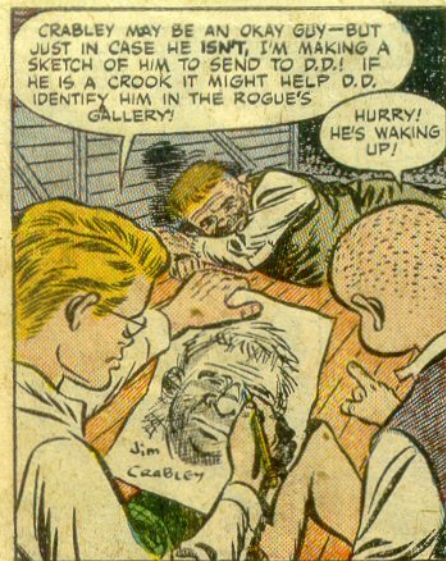


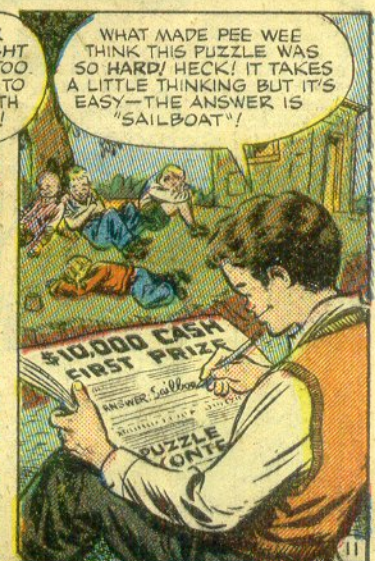
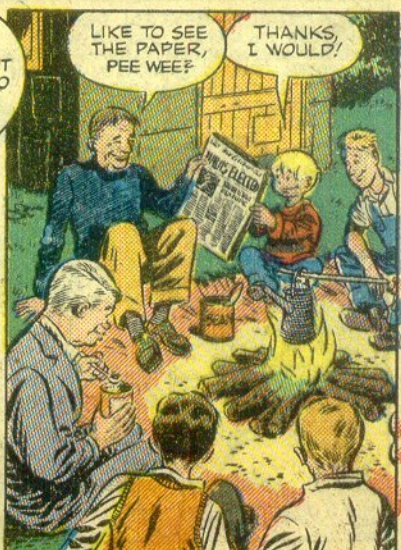
WOW! FOR A MINUTE I THOUGHT I WAS GOING TO BE LEFT BEHIND!



OH, NO!

ALL OUR FOOD!







TIME FOR SLEEP, DANNY! IF YOU'RE GOING TO HELP ME PICK PEACHES TOMORROW, YOU'D BETTER GET YOUR REST!

OKAY, UNCLE STEVE!



TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS! WHAT'S THIS ALL ABOUT? HM— THESE PUZZLES ARE A RACKET! NO ONE CAN SOLVE THEM ANYWAY!



WHADDAYA KNOW! THE ANSWER'S BEEN WORKED OUT! IT COULD BE WRONG BUT FOR A CHANCE AT TEN GRAND I CAN GAMBLE A THREE CENT STAMP!



JIM CRABLEY—GENERAL DELIVERY—HOKES VALLEY! I SHOULD WORRY ABOUT WHO WORKED IT OUT—FINDERS KEEPERS—THAT'S MY MOTTO! I CAN STILL GET THIS STAMPED BEFORE MIDNIGHT IF I MAIL IT AT THE RAILROAD STATION!



BE SURE YOU POSTMARK THIS RIGHT AWAY SO IT'S STAMPED WITH TODAY'S DATE!

OKAY—PLENTY OF TIME! IT'S ONLY 11:30 NOW!



I THINK WE'LL RUN IN TO TOWN TODAY, DANNY, TO SEE IF THERE'S ANY ANSWER FROM DAREDEVIL! I WIRED HIM THE DAY AFTER WE GOT HERE SO THERE MAY BE WORD FROM HIM TODAY!



NO WORD YET? WELL, IF THERE SHOULD BE A REPLY WE'RE OUT AT BIG CAMP—THE HOBO CAMP EAST OF HERE!

YOU ARE? THEN MAYBE YOU'D BE WILLING TO DO AN ERRAND FOR ME!

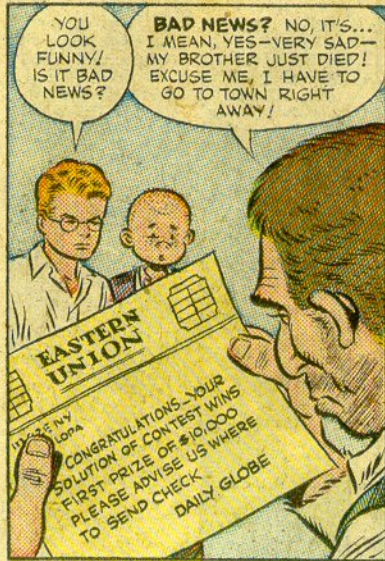


DO YOU KNOW ANYONE NAMED JIM CRABLEY OUT THERE? THIS TELEGRAM CAME IN WITH NO ADDRESS BUT HOKES VALLEY AND I KNOW EVERYONE IN TOWN SO IT MUST BE AN OUTSIDER!

CRABLEY? SURE, WE KNOW HIM! I'LL TAKE THE TELEGRAM FOR HIM!



FOR ME? YEP—IT'S MY NAME ALL RIGHT! I WONDER WHAT IT'S ALL ABOUT!



YOU LOOK FUNNY! IS IT BAD NEWS?

BAD NEWS? NO, IT'S... I MEAN, YES—VERY SAD—MY BROTHER JUST DIED! EXCUSE ME, I HAVE TO GO TO TOWN RIGHT AWAY!



SEE? HERE'S PROOF I WON \$10,000! CAN YOU ARRANGE TO HAVE THE MONEY DEPOSITED DIRECTLY INTO THIS BANK—AND CAN I COLLECT \$5000 ON IT NOW—IN ADVANCE?

CERTAINLY, MR. CRABLEY—JUST GIVE ME A FEW MINUTES TO VERIFY THE PRIZE BY 'PHONE. IF THIS IS TRUE YOU CAN HAVE THE MONEY IMMEDIATELY!



4,000-500, 600, 700, 800, 900, \$5,000!

BOY OH, BOY OH, BOY! AM I GONNA HAVE A SPURGE!



HA! LOOK AT THE POOR DOPES—ALL TIRED OUT FROM PICKING PEACHES! NONE OF THAT KIND OF LIFE FOR ME! FROM NOW ON THE SKY'S THE LIMIT!



WHERE'D YOU GET IT? ROB A BANK?

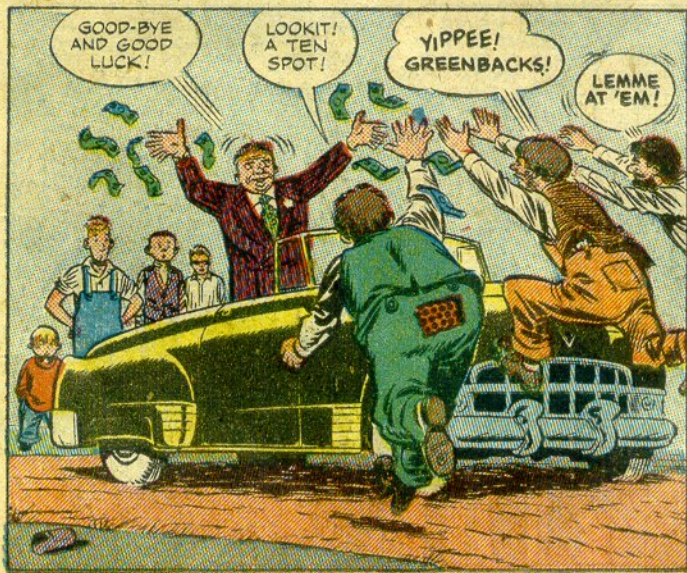
NOPE! MY RICH BROTHER DIED! I INHERITED ALL HIS DOUGH! THIS IS MY LAST FAREWELL TO BIG CAMP! ALL THIS STUFF IN THE BACK IS FOR YOU! DIG IN!



IT'S ALL ON ME! EAT HEARTY!

DO YOU REALLY THINK HE GOT THE MONEY HONESTLY?

COULD BE! REMEMBER THAT TELEGRAM HE GOT ABOUT HIS BROTHER? IMAGINE A GUY LIKE HIM INHERITING A FORTUNE!

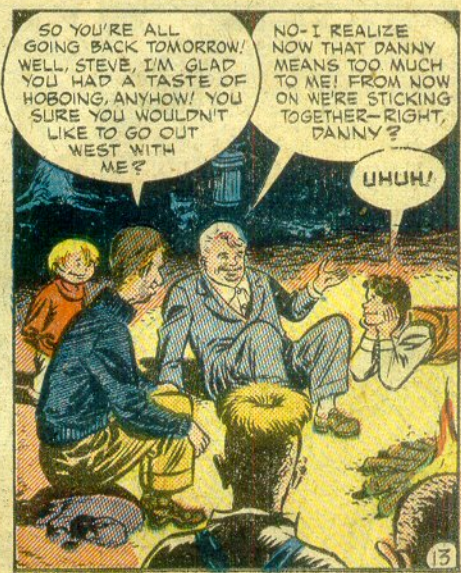


GOOD-BYE AND GOOD LUCK!

LOOKIT! A TEN SPOT!

YIPPEE! GREENBACKS!

LEMME AT 'EM!



SO YOU'RE ALL GOING BACK TOMORROW! WELL, STEVE, I'M GLAD YOU HAD A TASTE OF HOBOING, ANYHOW! YOU SURE YOU WOULDN'T LIKE TO GO OUT WEST WITH ME?

NO—I REALIZE NOW THAT DANNY MEANS TOO MUCH TO ME! FROM NOW ON WE'RE STICKING TOGETHER—RIGHT, DANNY?

UHUH!



GEE, IT'S NICE TO BE HOME AGAIN, UNCLE STEVE! AND THE BEST PART OF ALL IS THAT WE MADE ENOUGH MONEY PICKING PEACHES TO PAY THE RENT, TOO!

TO PAY THE RENT—YES— BUT WE WON'T HAVE MUCH FOR FOOD UNTIL I FIND ANOTHER JOB!



HEY! WHAT'S THIS ALL ABOUT?

IT'S A HOUSE-WARMING TO CELEBRATE YOUR COMING BACK! HELP US SET THE TABLE, DANNY! DAREDEVIL'S COMING, TOO!



YOU SHOULDN'T HAVE DONE IT, SCARECROW! I'LL BET YOU SPENT ALL YOUR MONEY!

BUT WE DIDN'T! WE MADE ENOUGH PICKING PEACHES TO BUY THE CAMPING OUTFIT WE WANTED AND STILL HAD ENOUGH LEFT OVER FOR THIS SPREAD!



OH, A PARTY! I HOPE I'M NOT INTRUDING! DAREDEVIL LEFT WORD AT THE SCHOOL THAT YOU WOULD BE BACK HOME TODAY SO I JUST DROPPED BY TO SAY HELLO!

I'M GLAD YOU DID! PLEASE, WON'T YOU STAY AND CELEBRATE WITH US? WE'RE JUST WAITING FOR DAREDEVIL TO COME!



I'M SO GLAD YOU CAME BACK, MR. DESMOND! DANNY NEEDS YOU!

I STILL THINK DANNY WOULD HAVE BEEN BETTER OFF AT THE ORPHANAGE! I WANT TO BE WITH HIM BUT I CAN'T GIVE HIM THE PROPER HOME! I'M A NO-GOOD FAILURE!



I'M SURE THAT'S NOT TRUE! IT'S JUST THAT YOU HAVEN'T FOUND THE RIGHT JOB! THERE MUST BE SOMETHING YOU'D LIKE TO DO!

THERE IS, MA'AM! BY PROFESSION I'M A BLACKSMITH AND A GOOD ONE! BUT HORSESHOEING WENT OUT OF DATE TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO! THAT WAS THE ONLY TRADE I EVER LIKED! I'VE BEEN A BUM EVER SINCE!



YOU COULD STILL BE A BLACKSMITH—ONLY INSTEAD OF SHOEHORSEING YOU COULD MAKE ANDIRONS AND WEATHER-VANES! THERE ARE ALL SORTS OF THINGS PEOPLE WOULD BUY! YOU COULD HAVE A FINE BUSINESS!

I NEVER THOUGHT OF THAT!



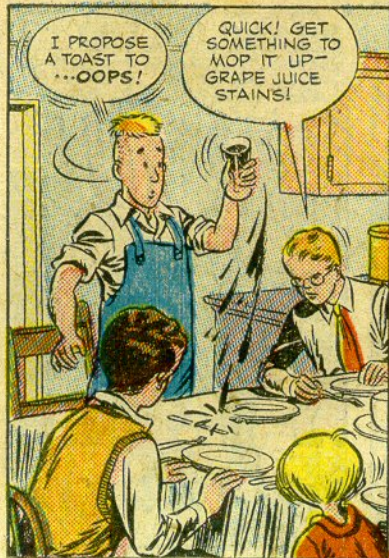
BUT IT WOULDN'T WORK! I'D NEED A SHOP A FORGE—IT WOULD TAKE A LOT OF CAPITAL TO START—MORE THAN I CAN EVER HOPE TO RAISE!

OH—I NEVER THOUGHT OF THAT! WHAT A PITY! I JUST KNOW IN MY BONES THAT YOU'D SUCCEED IF ONLY YOU HAD A CHANCE!



DAREDEVIL!

HELLO, BOYS! I HOPE I HAVEN'T KEPT YOU WAITING! UM— THIS LOOKS LIKE A PARTY TO END ALL PARTIES!



I PROPOSE A TOAST TO ...OOPS!

QUICK! GET SOMETHING TO MOP IT UP— GRAPE JUICE STAINS!



HEY—LOOK! THIS IS THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF WHO WON THAT PUZZLE CONTEST—YOU KNOW, CURLY, THE ONE WE SAW IN THAT PAPER AT CAMP! I WONDER WHO WON FIRST PRIZE...



FIRST PRIZE— JIM CRABLEY!

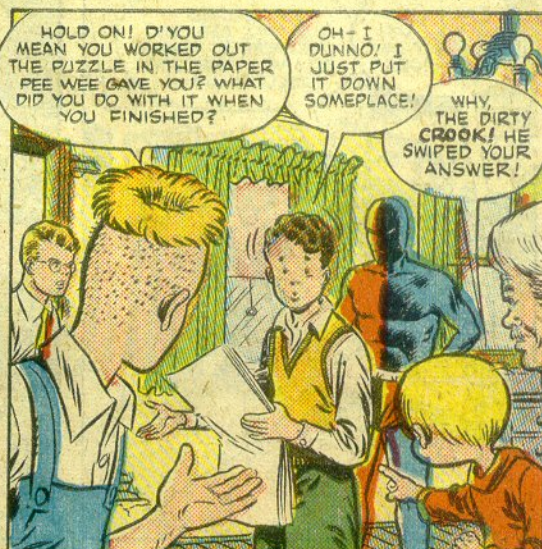
WHAT! WHY, THAT GUY COULD HARDLY WRITE HIS OWN NAME— LET ALONE WORK OUT A PUZZLE!

HEY! LET ME SEE THAT!



GEE, THAT'S FUNNY! CRABLEY WRITES THE SAME WAY I DO! THAT'S EXACTLY THE WAY I CROSS MY "T'S" AND DOT MY "I'S"! AND WHEN I WORKED THE PUZZLE THAT NIGHT IN CAMP I UNDERLINED THE WORD SAILBOAT THE SAME WAY!

The Daily Globe
\$10,000 PUZZLE CONTEST
WINNER
FIRST PRIZE JIM CRABLEY
ANSWER: SAILBOAT
REPLICA OF WINNING ENTRY BLANK
Write Answer here:
Name: Sailboat
Address: JIM CRABLEY
GENERAL DELIVERY
HOXES VALLEY
WINNERS OF OTHER PRIZES TO BE ANNOUNCED IN TOMORROW'S ISSUE



HOLD ON! D'YOU MEAN YOU WORKED OUT THE PUZZLE IN THE PAPER PEE WEE GAVE YOU? WHAT DID YOU DO WITH IT WHEN YOU FINISHED?

OH—I DUNNO! I JUST PUT IT DOWN SOMEPLACE!

WHY, THE DIRTY CROOK! HE SWIPED YOUR ANSWER!



THAT EXPLAINS WHERE HE GOT ALL THE MONEY! GOLLY, DAREDEVIL, ISN'T THERE ANYTHING DANNY CAN DO? HE DESERVES THE PRIZE! CRABLEY WON IT BY FRAUD!

THE TROUBLE IS THAT CRABLEY HAS THE MONEY AND UNLESS YOU CAN FIND HIM AND MAKE HIM ADMIT HE CHEATED, DANNY'S CLAIM WOULD BE HARD TO PROVE!



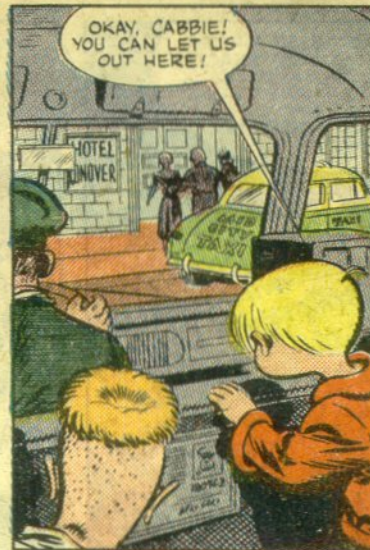
WE WOULDN'T HAVE A REAL CASE AGAINST HIM SO I COULDN'T ARRANGE FOR AN ARREST WARRANT EVEN IF I COULD—ALL I HAVE IS YOUR WORD DESCRIPTION OF HIM!

WAIT A SEC!



WHEN I FOUND HE WAS CARRYING A GUN, I MADE THIS SKETCH! I MEANT TO SEND IT TO YOU TO SEE IF HE MIGHT BE A WANTED CRIMINAL! THEN, IN THE EXCITEMENT OF FINDING DANNY'S UNCLE, I FORGOT!

THIS PICTURE MAY SAVE THE DAY! IF HE HAS A CRIMINAL RECORD WE MAY BE ABLE TO DO SOMETHING! I'LL HAVE THIS CHECKED RIGHT AWAY!





THAT'S HIM!

YOU ROTTEN LITTLE STOOL PIGEONS!

IT'S YOUR OWN FAULT, CRABLEY! IF YOU HADN'T USED DANNY'S ANSWERS TO WIN THE PUZZLE CONTEST WE MIGHT NEVER HAVE KNOWN YOU WERE WANTED FOR ROBBERY!



WOULDN'T YOU KNOW WE'D MISS THE EXCITEMENT! NOW THAT HE'S CAUGHT, WHAT ABOUT THE PRIZE MONEY, D.D.? WILL CRABLEY HAVE TO GIVE IT TO DANNY?

IT'S NEARLY ALL GONE, BUT I THINK THE JUDGES OF THE CONTEST MAY DO SOMETHING FOR DANNY WHEN THEY LEARN THE FACTS! I HAVE ALREADY NOTIFIED THEM!



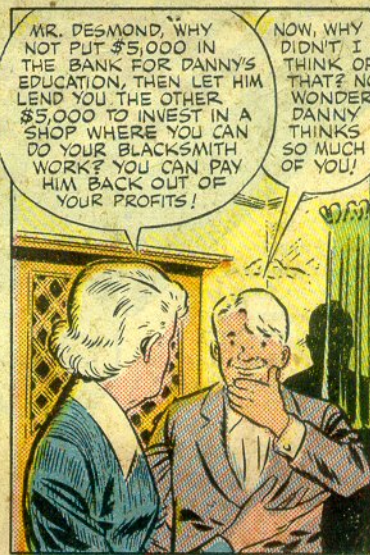
WE'RE IN AN EMBARRASSING POSITION! WE'VE GIVEN FIRST PRIZE TO A CRIMINAL AND TO MAKE MATTERS WORSE HE STOLE THE ANSWER! I THINK WE SHOULD MAKE A DUPLICATE AWARD TO THIS BOY DANNY!

I AGREE!



LOOK! THE JUDGES SENT ME A CHECK FOR TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS! GOSH, UNCLE STEVE, NOW WE HAVEN'T A WORRY IN THE WORLD! HERE, I WANT YOU TO HAVE IT!

NO! I WON'T TOUCH A PENNY OF IT! IT'S YOUR MONEY!



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NOW, WHY DIDN'T I THINK OF THAT? NO WONDER DANNY THINKS SO MUCH OF YOU!



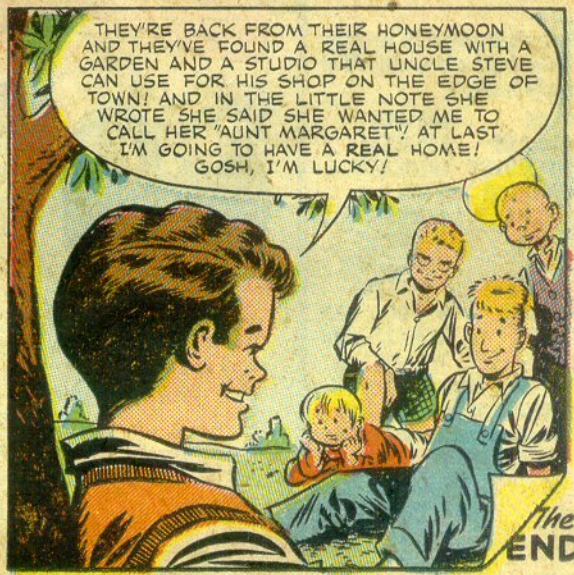
YOU'RE THE FIRST WOMAN I EVER MET WHO MADE ME FEEL AS IF I COULD BE A SUCCESS! I-I WISH YOU COULD BE AROUND ALL THE TIME! YOU WOULDN'T CONSIDER MARRYING AN OLD BLOCKHEAD LIKE ME, WOULD YOU?

INDEED I WOULD! NOTHING WOULD MAKE ME HAPPIER! I HAVE ALWAYS ADMIRED YOU!



GOSH! THIS WHOLE LAST MONTH SEEMS LIKE A DREAM! ALL OUR ADVENTURES FINDING UNCLE STEVE, AND ME WINNING THE CONTEST—AND UNCLE STEVE AND MISS RIGLEY GETTING MARRIED! AND YOU INVITING ME ON THIS CAMPING TRIP! GOLLY!

WHAT WAS THE LAST WORD YOU HAD FROM YOUR UNCLE, DANNY?



THEY'RE BACK FROM THEIR HONEYMOON AND THEY'VE FOUND A REAL HOUSE WITH A GARDEN AND A STUDIO THAT UNCLE STEVE CAN USE FOR HIS SHOP ON THE EDGE OF TOWN! AND IN THE LITTLE NOTE SHE WROTE SHE SAID SHE WANTED ME TO CALL HER 'AUNT MARGARET'! AT LAST I'M GOING TO HAVE A REAL HOME! GOSH, I'M LUCKY!

The END

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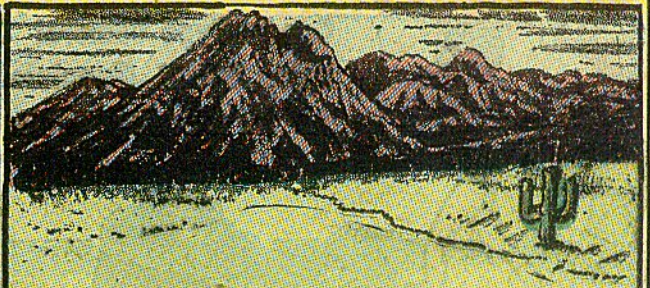
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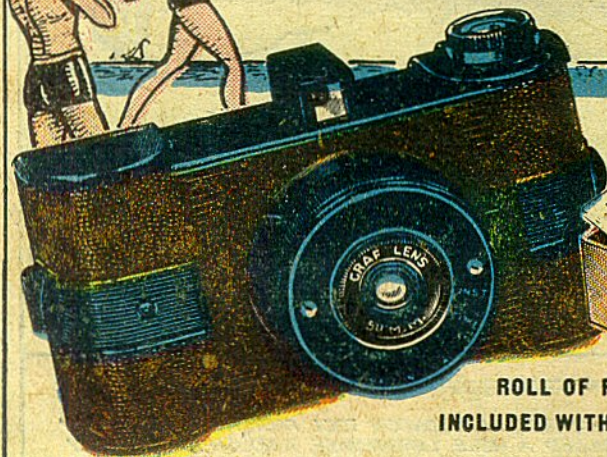
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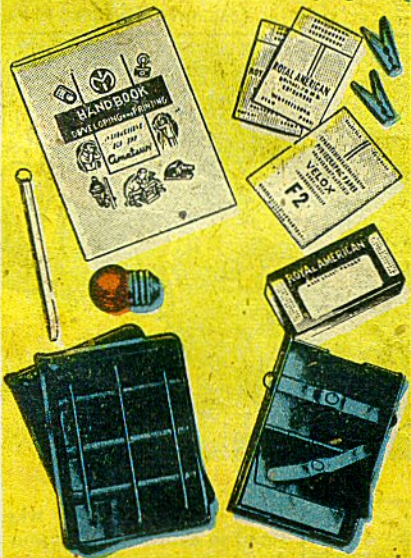
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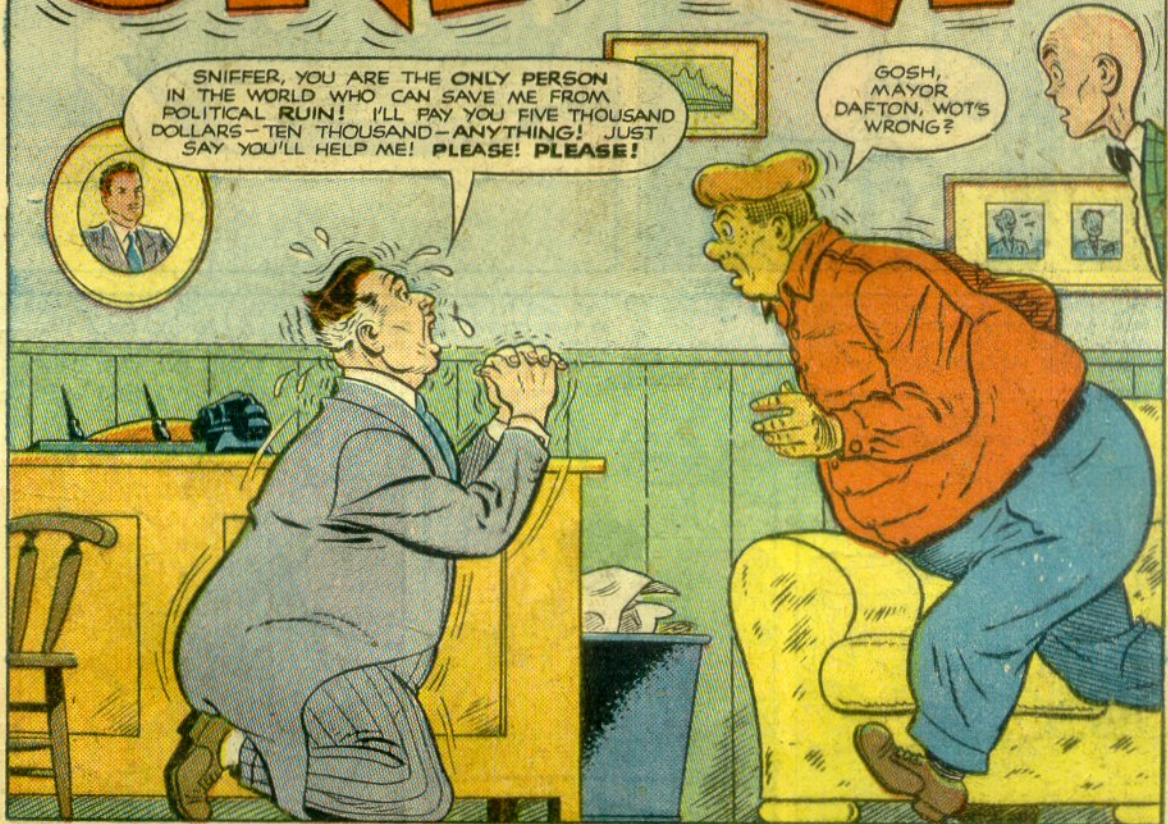
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GOSH, MAYOR DAFTON, WOT'S WRONG?



FIRST, I MUST TELL YOU A SECRET—THAT I HAVEN'T DARED TO REVEAL TO ANYONE—NOT EVEN THE POLICE! MAY I SPEAK TO YOU PRIVATELY?

SKULLY HERE IS MY PAL! YOU CAN SPEAK FREELY, MR. MAYOR!



VERY WELL! I HAVE A TWIN BROTHER, WHO IS VERY..ER... ECCENTRIC! HE'S HARMLESS, BUT NOT VERY BRIGHT! IN FACT, HE THINKS HE'S ME!

DAT'S TOO BAD, YER HONOR!



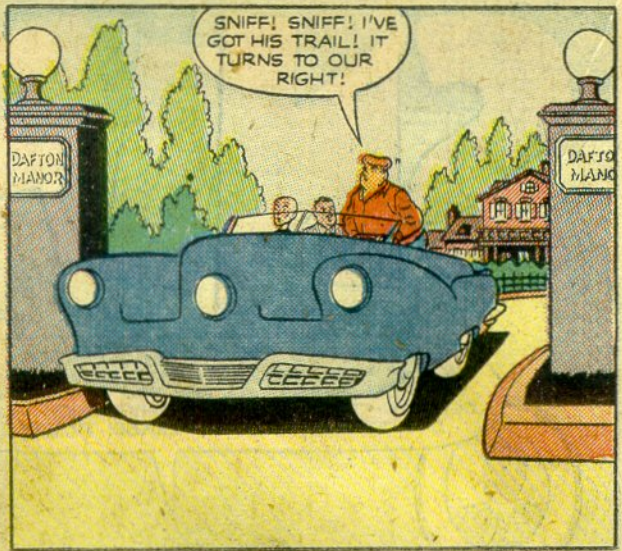
WHEN HIS MIND FAILED OVER SIX YEARS AGO, I HID HIM AWAY HERE IN MY HOME AND REPORTED HIM MISSING! DUE TO MY HIGH POLITICAL POSITION, I'VE FELT IT BEST TO KEEP HIS AFFLICTION A SECRET! BUT TWO HOURS AGO, HE ESCAPED, WEARING MY CLOTHES! YOU MUST USE YOUR FAMOUS SENSE OF SMELL TO HELP ME LOCATE HIM AT ONCE, SNIFFER!

I SEE! THINKIN' DAT HE'S YOU, HE MIGHT START MAKIN' POLITICAL SPEECHES! MMMM...



HERE'S AN OLD VEST MY TWIN BROTHER WORE! YOU CAN GET HIS SCENT FROM THIS!

SNIFF! SNIFF!



SNIFF! SNIFF! I'VE GOT HIS TRAIL! IT TURNS TO OUR RIGHT!



MAYOR, WHAT IF WE FIND YOUR TWIN WHILE YOU'RE WITH US? ANYBODY SEEING THE TWO OF YOU TOGETHER WOULD KNOW YOUR SECRET!

EGAD! I NEVER THOUGHT OF THAT!

SNIFF! SNIFF!



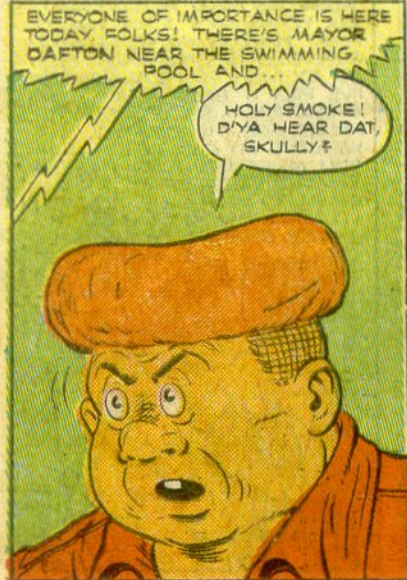
I'VE GOT IT! STOP AT THIS COSTUME SHOP AND I'LL BUY A DISGUISE!

SNIFF! SNIFF!



WE MAY AS WELL GET SOME MUSIC WHILE WE'RE WAITING FOR THE MAYOR!

THIS MUSIC IS COMING TO YOU FROM THE GALA OPENING OF THE RITZ COUNTRY CLUB!



EVERYONE OF IMPORTANCE IS HERE TODAY FOLKS! THERE'S MAYOR DAFTON NEAR THE SWIMMING POOL AND...

HOLY SMOKE! DID YA HEAR DAT, SKULLY?



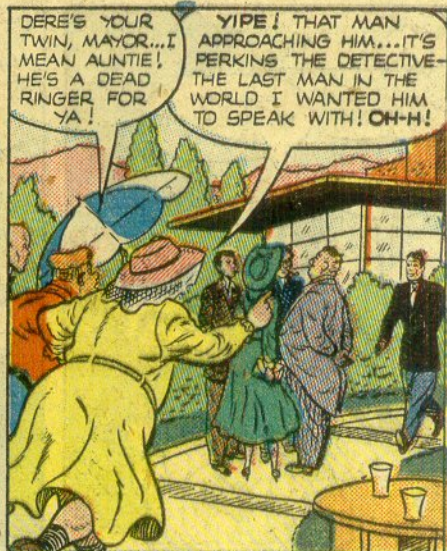
MAYOR, YER NUTTY-ER- I MEAN ECCENTRIC BROTHER IS AT DA RITZ COUNTRY CLUB!

YIPE! THOSE ARE IMPORTANT PEOPLE! ONCE HE STARTS TALKING, I'M RUINED!



FASTER! FASTER!! THIS SNAIL'S PACE IS DRIVING ME CRAZY!

INSANITY MUST RUN IN DA FAMILY! I'M DOIN' 120 ALREADY!





PSS-ST!
YA ALL RIGHT,
MAYOR?

GLUB!



OH-H-H!
WHERE
AM I?

WE CAN'T POSSIBLY
SNATCH YER BROTHER
YET, YER HONOR! HE'S
UP ON A BALCONY,
GETTING READY TO
MAKE A SPEECH!



PLOP!

GASP! HE-HE'S
GOING TO SPEAK?
OH-H-H-H-H!

HE'S FAINTED
AGAIN! DIS
IS GETTIN'
MONOTONOUS!



HE SURE IS
SCARED OF THE
PUBLIC FINDING OUT
ABOUT HIS
ECCENTRIC
BROTHER!

YEAH! TOO SCARED!
I'M BEGINNING TO
THINK DERE'S A LOT
MORE TO DIS DAN
HE'S TOLD US!

SNIFF!
SNIFF!
OH-OH!



SNIFF-SNIFF!
DERE'S SOME-
BODY IN DA
BUSHES,
SKULLY!

COME OUTTA
DERE BEFORE
I SMACK YA
BOWLEGGED!



GULP! TAKE
IT EASY,
SNIFFER! IT'S
THE
DETECTIVE!

RIGHT! MAYBE
YOU TWO GUYS ARE
INNOCENT...IF SO,
YOU CAN PROVE
IT BY HOLDING HIS
NIBS HERE WHILE I
TAKE A CLOSER
LOOK AT HIS
BROTHER!



I THINK I KNOW WHICH ONE
OF THEM IS REALLY THE MAYOR
BUT I MUST BE SURE! DON'T
LET HIM LEAVE...THIS IS
DYNAMITE!

YEAH! A WHOLE
SACK FULL OF IT
AN' HE LEAVES US
HOLDIN' DA BAG!



LADIES AND
GENTLEMEN,
AN ADDRESS
BY THE
MAYOR!

GULP! WHAT
A MESS WE'LL
BE IN IF THAT
ONE IS THE
MAYOR!

GASP! AND
WE'LL BE IN
A WORSE
ONE IF DIS
ONE IS DA
MAYOR!

LET GO!
LET ME
OUT OF
HERE
OR...
HELP!
...OR
YOU'LL
GIT LIFE
AS SURE AS
I'M THE
MAYOR!

H'RAY!
CLAP!
H'RAY!
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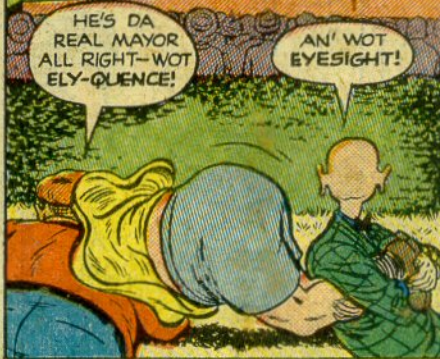
MY FRIENDS, IN THIS DARK HOUR OF BITTER STRUGGLE, LET US NOT BE CONFUSED! A FALSE LEADER ROSE TO POWER BY TRICKERY AND TREACHERY!



HEY-DAT MAKES SENSE!

YEAH! HE AIN'T NUTS—HE KNOWS THE SCORE!

TODAY WE SEE THAT MADMAN BEING THROTTLED AND STRIPPED OF HIS FALSE CLOAK OF LIES AND DECEIT! WE SEE HIM IN ALL HIS GHASTLY REALITY!



HE'S DA REAL MAYOR ALL RIGHT—WOT ELY-QUENCE!

AN' WOT EYESIGHT!

YES, FELLOW CITIZENS, WE SEE HIM LOCKED IN MORTAL COMBAT WITH THOSE TWO INVINCIBLE WARRIORS, RIGHTEOUSNESS AND COURAGE!



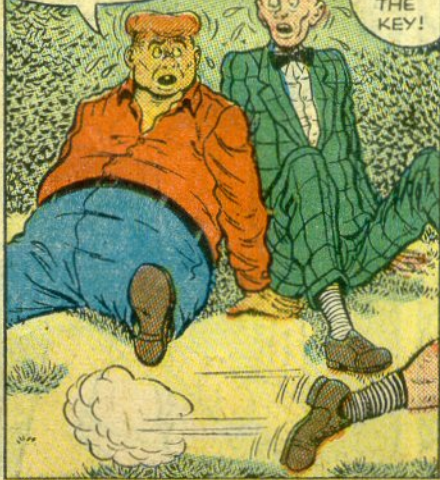
SNIFF! WE AIN'T NEVER BEEN SO APPRECIATED, SKULLY!

AN' TO THINK WE LET THIS RAT TALK US INTO BELIEVIN' HE WAS CRACKED!

SO I SAY TO YOU, MY FRIENDS, BE NOT CONFUSED! HAVE NO FEAR! HITLER WILL BE DEFEATED!



OH-H, SKULLY, DEY'RE GONNA LOCK US UP!



AN' THROW AWAY THE KEY!

HEY, YOU TWO—DID YOU LET THAT IMPOSTER GET AWAY?

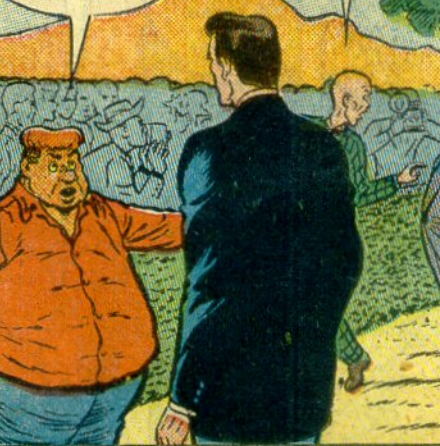


IMPOSTER? HE WAS DA REAL MAYOR!

NO! THAT ONE IS! I'VE BEEN WORKING ON THIS CASE FOR OVER SIX YEARS AND I'VE FINALLY SOLVED IT!



YA MEAN DAT GUY WHO DON'T EVEN KNOW DA WAR IS OVER IS OUR MAYOR?



RIGHT!

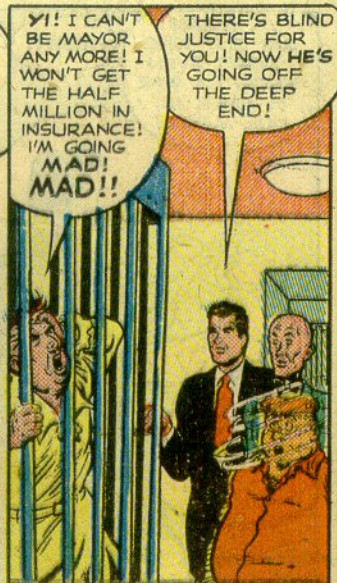
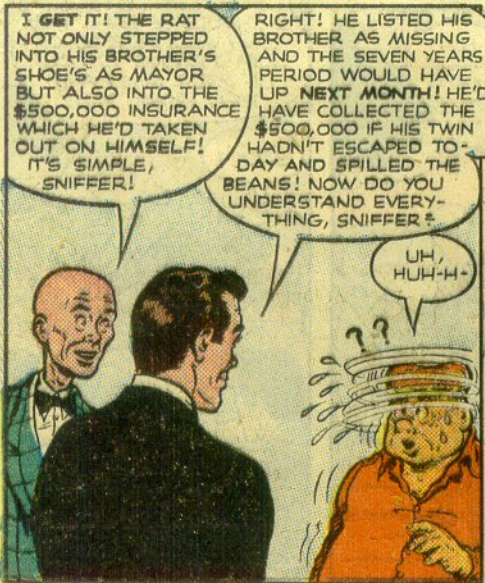
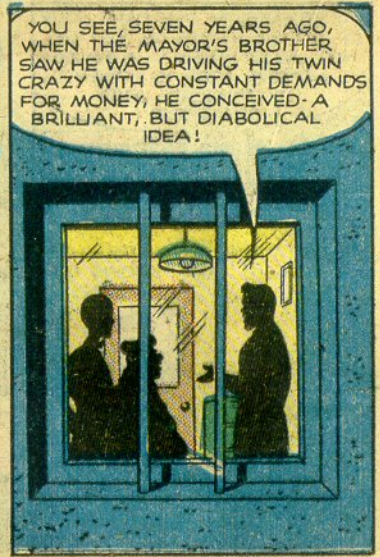
HEY—LOOK OUT!

I SHOULD'VE DONE THIS LONG AGO, INSTEAD OF JUST DRIVING YOU OUT OF YOUR MIND AND THEN HIDING YOU!



STOP!

CRACK!



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Likes to go with the big guys, as I do;
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But he wouldn't be human if he didn't have ANY."

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6th "He's small in size—a giant in loyalty,
A regular live wire;
His stunts off' backfire—
Yet it's the reason I love him you see!
He has such a wholesome philosophy
His ideas astound me
As his humor surrounds me
For my favorite Wise Guy is Pee Wee!"

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More courageous they don't get.

He's peppy, comradely, right in step,
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If more boys would follow his example, they could keep out of trouble. He's a regular guy! My ideal."

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4th "I like Pee Wee because of his size and because he is so mischievous. He stands up for his rights and fights his own battles in spite of his size. If there were a real Pee Wee I think I would like him for my friend."

JERRY LEON, 10915 E. Jefferson, Detroit, Mich.

9th "My favorite Wise Guy is the little guy with the big brain. He always gets the gang out of trouble, but how can he see his way out if his hair is continually blocking his vision? His funny antics and smart remarks makes him my favorite character, Pee Wee."

BARRY ROY SANDERS, 3860 Broadlawn Drive, Hollywood, Calif.

5th "Quizzically grave, lanky and lean Starecrow impresses me. His straw-like hair has you instinctively pulling out a comb, knowing all the time it will spring back into unruliness. He has the face that's always the "last one left in the orphanage" but he's my favorite."

RUTH FITZGERALD, 2805 Terrace Rd. S.E., Washington, D. C.

10th "I think Jock is the best of the Wise Guys. He is an all-American Boy. He helps people in many ways and shows good sportsmanship which helps every boy and girl that reads Daredevil. Boys like Jock make up the future of America. Wish everyone was like him."

JOHN CALO, 64 Chilmark Street, Worcester 4, Mass.

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THE HIDDEN VALLEY

"THAT'S the phone for you," said District Attorney Loover to Crimebuster as he put down the receiver, "It sounds like Mrs. Markley."

"Hello," said Crimebuster. "Yes, Mrs. Markley. *What!* For two days? I'll run right up and help them search. Don't worry, though. They're smart boys and they'll turn up unharmed."

Crimebuster looked worried as he put the phone down.

"What's up, CB?" asked Loover, "Has anything happened to Bill and Sam Markley?"

"I'm really worried, Loover," CB fretted. "I saw them off to camp just last week. Mrs. Markley didn't hear from her sons for two days, then one of the counselors phoned just this morning. The boys had gone off on a two day camping trip. Apparently Bill and Sam didn't turn up night before last and haven't been heard from since. All the counselors, the boys at camp, and the forest rangers have started searching, but there's no sign of either one. C'mon Squeeks," CB said to his monkey, "let's get going."

"It's pretty quiet around here, I think I'll go too," said Loover. No sooner had he spoken than the phone rang again. The last words Crimebuster heard as he and Squeeks left the room were, "Mr. Jennings, of the Museum, yes sir. You're sure they're from the lost tribe. Where did they come from?"

"We'll just let Loover worry about the lost tribe—eh Squeeks?" said Crimebuster as they hurried down the street to the station to catch the quickest bus to Pike's Corner.

The bus plodded up the mountain roads and Crimebuster mused. Although he was worried about Bill and Sam, it was nice to get away from the city and out in the open in this beautiful summer air.

"You going up to the Teluhah Camp, CB?" queried the bus driver.

"Yes," said Crimebuster, "As a matter of fact, I'm worried about two of my friends, Bill and Sam Markley. I saw them off for camp just two weeks ago. This morning their mother called and said they'd been missing for a couple of days. They'd been off on a hike with some other boys and disappeared."

"I remember those boys," the driver replied. "Nice kids. I'm sure you'll find them all right. They're smart and I know they're not foolhardy."

The bus continued up the mountain pass. Squeeks was making friends with all the passengers while Crimebuster and the driver talked.

"See that old guy in the back seat?" the bus driver muttered under his breath to Crimebuster.

"Yes, you mean the one with the beard, the

one that looks like an old-time miner?" asked Crimebuster as he peered over his shoulder.

"That's the one," continued the bus driver, "If you can talk to him he might help you out. But he's a funny old codger. He lives up there somewhere near the camp and no one seems to know just where—and he won't talk. At least, he'd be familiar with the country and might help you in your search for the boys."

At that moment Squeeks, in his efforts to get acquainted with the old man, had got his foot caught in his beard. Impatiently the old man brushed Squeeks to the floor and, needless to say, Squeeks didn't let that pass without loud objections.

"You know, too, CB," the bus driver went on, "Up here somewhere is supposed to be 'the hidden valley'. No one is quite sure where it is located but because of Indian relics they've found in the vicinity they're pretty sure it's around somewhere. It's supposed to be the home site of a lost tribe of Indians who were particularly skilled in silver and bead work and it's believed that if they can find the exact location there will be a terrific cache of Indian treasure. The monetary value would not be so much but it's value to museums is worth enough for them to offer a substantial reward to anyone locating the cache."

"I've heard about that," mused Crimebuster, "Locating that particular spot would be quite a discovery and a great enlightenment for museums and archaeologists. Well, I think I'll try to get acquainted with this old man."

Crimebuster approached the old timer and found that Squeeks had not very successfully broken ground for their friendship. Squeeks stayed at a safe distance from the two.

"Hello, there," said Crimebuster, "I understand you live up near Camp Teluhah?"

"That's right," said the old man.

"I'm going up to the camp to help look for a couple of boys, friends of mine who have been missing for two days," Crimebuster continued.

"Heard about that," said the old man.

"I guess there are lots of places they could wander to," queried Crimebuster.

"Guess so," the old man muttered laconically.

After a few further attempts at conversation Crimebuster gave up and settled back to enjoy the rest of the trip.

The bus finally arrived at Pike's Crossing and as Crimebuster and Squeeks descended, much to their surprise they saw Loover sitting in his car waiting for them.

"Well, CB, you rushed out of the office too fast. I didn't realize I'd be following on your heels so soon. I'm looking for . . . oh, oh, pile in and let's just be quiet for a minute," Loover quickly

whispered to Crimebuster as they watched the old man get off the bus.

"I think there's a tie-in somewhere, said Crimebuster, "I've got a hunch. Let's follow that man."

"Best thing to do is put Squeeks right on his trail. He's probably suspicious of us and would try to dodge us. Hey, Squeeks," Crimebuster whispered to the monkey . . .

After a few words from Crimebuster, Squeeks jumped from his shoulder and dodged from tree to tree to follow the old man, silently and carefully. Crimebuster and Looover gave the old man time enough to get out of sight, then followed in the same general direction.

They left the road and Pike's Crossing far behind them. After what seemed endless bashing through underbrush, they finally came to a fairly well-defined trail through the timber. Squeeks reappeared and beckoned them on.

On and on they followed the trail. They climbed higher and higher. Often they would pass an old mine shaft, long abandoned. Squeeks reappeared every so often to assure them that they were still on the right track. Squeeks, of course, had the advantage of being able to swing along in the trees and make faster progress than Looover and Crimebuster, as they unfortunately had rocks, old fallen trees and much underbrush to climb over, which impeded their progress.

Again they passed an old mine shaft and Crimebuster thought aloud, "Just think of the gold that was brought out of these hills. Wonder if there's any left in any of these old mines?"

"They wouldn't have been abandoned if there were," said Looover.

After wandering a while, Crimebuster suddenly shouted, "Where's Squeeks? We haven't seen him for a long time. Maybe we've reached the end of our trail."

"Guess I was thinking too hard about those abandoned mines," said Looover.

Both stopped short, looked and listened. Not a sound was heard except the breath of the wind in the pine trees.

"Wait a minute," said Crimebuster, "let's go back and look at that last mine shaft."

They raced back to the opening of the shaft, climbed up to it and peered into its dark and fathomless mouth.

"Look," said Crimebuster, "there's a ladder going down. I'm going to try it."

"Watch it," warned Looover, "that may be rotten from age."

"But this looks pretty new, I think I'll trust it." Crimebuster said as he tested the ladder. It appeared to be of new pine. If it had been there for years it would have crumbled at the touch. "Wait," he whispered, "I think I hear Squeeks."

"You're right," said Looover, as they both listened and heard a vaguely muffled squeak that seemed to come from the depths of the mine.

"Well," said Crimebuster, "Let's not waste any time, we're on the right track."

He crawled into the gash in the rock, climbed down the ladder with Looover right above him. Crimebuster had descended no more than a hun-

dred feet when his feet hit solid ground. The shaft seemed to have taken a complete right angle and instead of going down into the mountain had turned and tunneled directly into it.

"Let's follow this," said Crimebuster.

Inch by inch they crept in the darkness. Never were they sure of their footing, feared at every step the shaft would crumble and they'd go hurtling down into the insides of the mountain. Then a faint streak of light appeared and they could see their way. Suddenly Squeeks appeared in front of them.

"Good old Squeeks," Crimebuster commended the monkey, "I knew you could track down the old codger."

The light became brighter and brighter and suddenly they found themselves at an opening.

"What a vista," said Crimebuster. "Do you mean we've bored right through a mountain in that short time?"

"Looks like we have," said Looover, "But, look, what a beautiful valley. It's completely surrounded by high rocks and mountains. I bet this doesn't even appear on the map."

"Look, down there, there's a lean-to! Some one must know this place—and this must be where the old miner lives," cried Crimebuster as he pointed into the valley.

They almost ran down the slope of the mountain toward the lean-to. As they approached, not only did they see the old man from the bus, but also Bill and Sam seated, enjoying hot dogs, in front of a fire.

"Well," said Crimebuster, "you look awfully nonchalant for two missing boys. Don't you know the whole camp is out searching for you two and your mother's worried?"

The old timer looked pretty uncomfortable as Sam said, "But Old Mac went into town today with the arrow heads and jewelry we found and said he told the camp that we were all right. He turned the stuff into the museum and they said it wasn't worth anything."

Hearing a warning squeak, Crimebuster turned in time to catch the old man's hand as he reached toward a battered rifle standing in the corner of the lean-to.

"Never mind, Old Mac," Crimebuster said sternly, just because two kids wandered into your hidden valley and found relics *you've* been looking for all these years doesn't mean that *you* are to reap the reward the museum has offered."

"Pack up your relics, kids, and come on, Old Mac," continued Crimebuster as he picked up the battered old rifle. "We have to report to the camp quickly and let them know you're all right. We'd better reassure your mother, and then, we'd better notify the museum that they can hand out their reward for the discovery of the "hidden valley" of the lost tribe to Bill and Sam Markley. And, Old Mac—I think Looover had better turn you over to the proper authorities.

Squeeks proudly led the procession back to the mine shaft, up the ladder and out on the trail toward home again.

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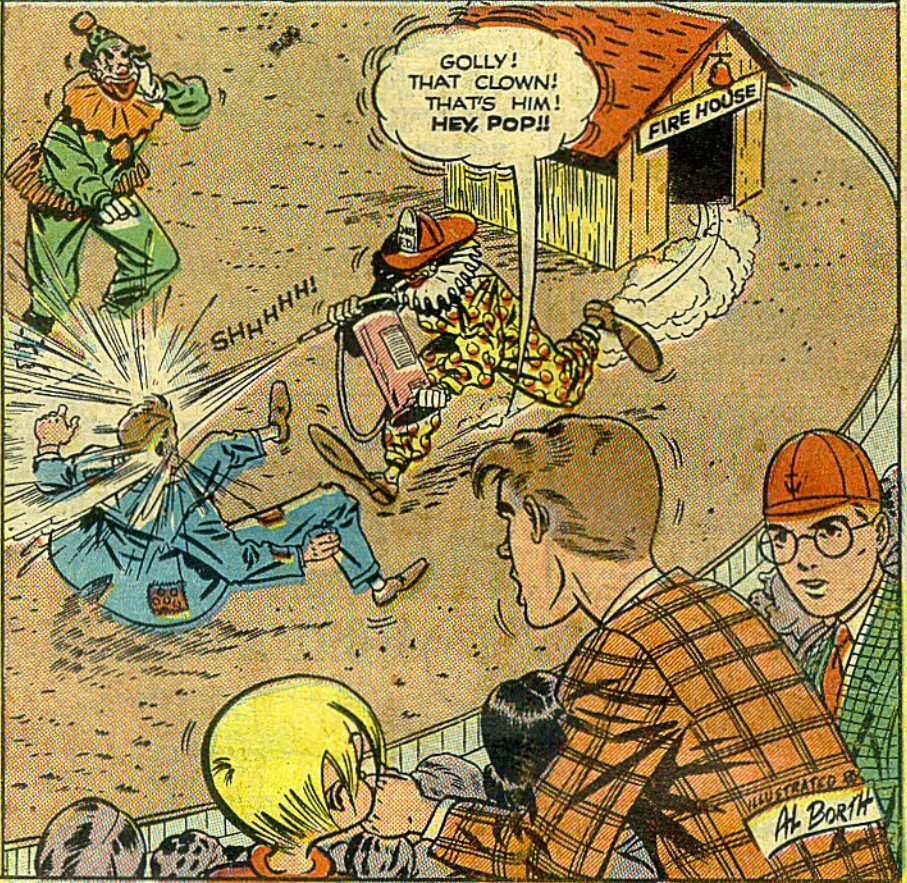
DAREDEVIL

and the **LITTLE WISE GUYS**

IN
"MAN AT
LARGE"

THERE ARE SOME CRISES IN EVERYONE'S LIFE! ONE OF THE GREATEST IS THAT INVISIBLE BRINK OF TEMPTATION! THE LORELEI OF CRIME PLAYS AN INTOXICATING TUNE WHEN A MAN'S NEED IS SERIOUS! THAT'S WHEN HIS CRISIS IS GREATEST! THIS STORY PORTRAYS A BOY'S REDEMPTION OF A MAN WHO FAILED IN HIS MOST SERIOUS CRISIS! IT ALSO PROVES THAT THE LITTLE WISE GUYS, THANKS TO DAREDEVIL, ARE PRETTY GOOD JUDGES OF CHARACTER AND WILL SELDOM PUT THEIR FAITH IN THE WRONG GUY! SOMETIMES IT TAKES A LITTLE LONGER TO GAIN PEE WEE'S CONFIDENCE, AS HE'S JUST NATURALLY SKEPTICAL! FOR INSTANCE, WHEN THE WISE GUYS HAD AN EXTRA TICKET TO THE CIRCUS AND WERE TRYING TO FIND SOMEONE TO GIVE IT TO...

Charles Biro



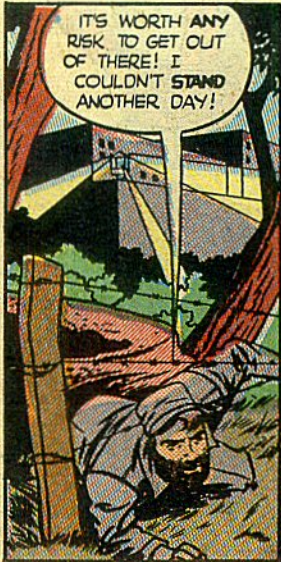
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WHO ESCAPED?

A PRISONER IN BLOCK TWO! I THINK HIS NAME WAS CRANE, JOE CRANE!

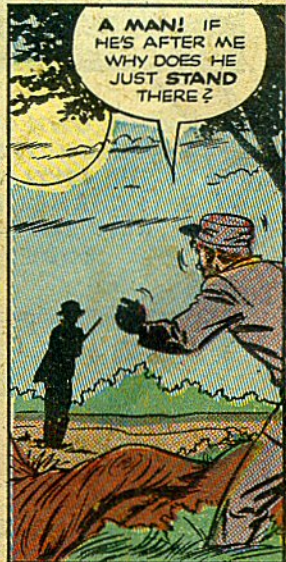
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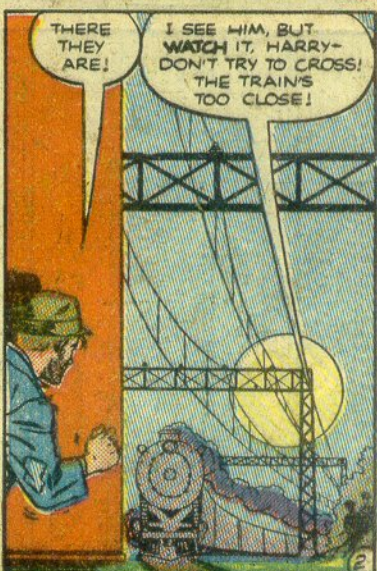
IT'S WORTH ANY RISK TO GET OUT OF THERE! I COULDN'T STAND ANOTHER DAY!



IT WON'T TAKE THEM LONG TO GET ON MY TAIL! MY ONLY CHANCE IS TO GET TO THE FREIGHT YARD AND HOP A TRAIN!



A MAN! IF HE'S AFTER ME WHY DOES HE JUST STAND THERE?





IT'S MOVING TOO FAST! I CAN'T MAKE IT!



MADE IT! WHEW! I THOUGHT I WAS A GONER! GOSH, IT'S DARK IN HERE— AND IT SMELLS FUNNY!



I CAN'T SEE A THING! I WONDER WHAT'S IN THIS CAR!



Y-YA!!!



W-WHAT WAS THAT? WHOS THERE?



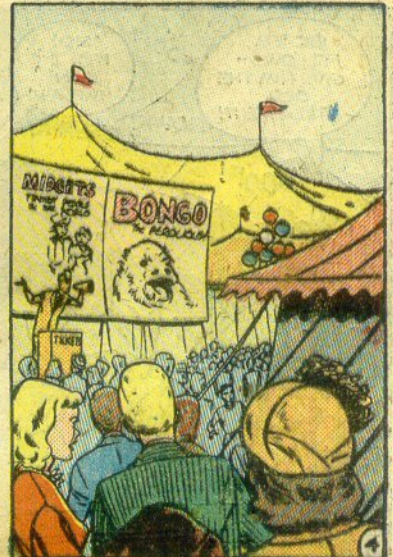
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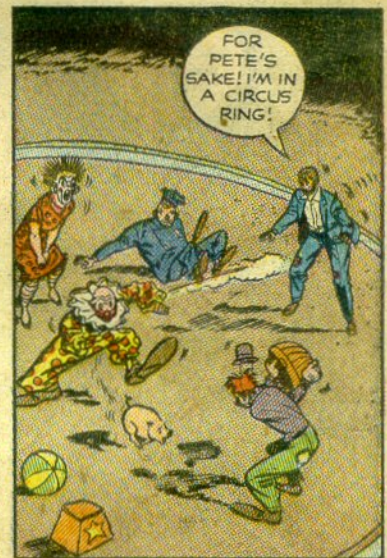
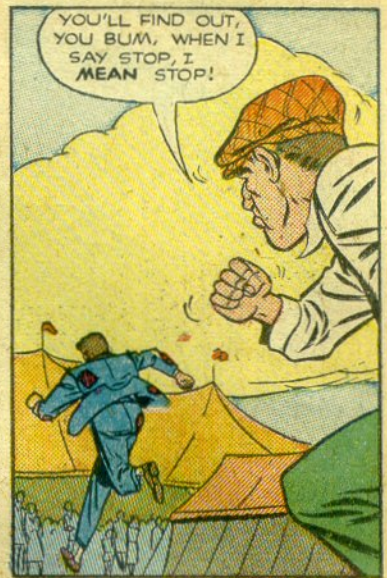


T-TIGERS! IF I'D BEEN AN INCH NEARER THAT CAGE I'D HAVE HAD MY ARM RIPPED OFF! I'M GETTING OUT OF HERE!

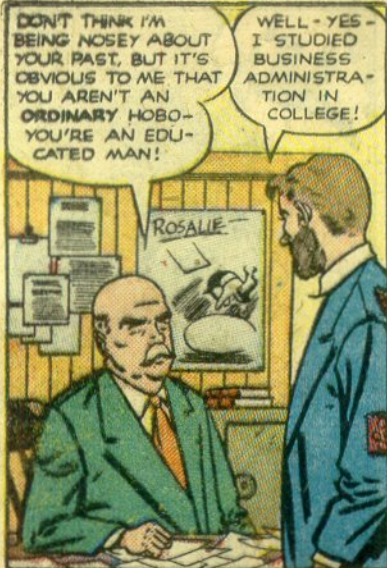


I'LL BREAK A LEG IF I JUMP! BUT I CAN'T STAY HERE EITHER—IF ONE OF THOSE CAGES BROKE OPEN I'D BE MINCEMEAT! MAYBE I CAN GET ON THE ROOF AND CRAWL TO ANOTHER CAR!









DON'T THINK I'M BEING NOSEY ABOUT YOUR PAST, BUT IT'S OBVIOUS TO ME THAT YOU AREN'T AN ORDINARY HOBO— YOU'RE AN EDUCATED MAN!

WELL— YES— I STUDIED BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION IN COLLEGE!



YOU DID? THEN I CAN MAKE YOU AN EVEN BETTER OFFER! IF YOU'D BE WILLING TO PUT MY ACCOUNTS IN ORDER AND KEEP THEM THAT WAY, YOU COULD HAVE THAT JOB AS WELL AS BEING IN THE CLOWN ACT! I CAN PAY YOU SEVENTY-FIVE A WEEK PLUS BOARD! HOW'S THAT?

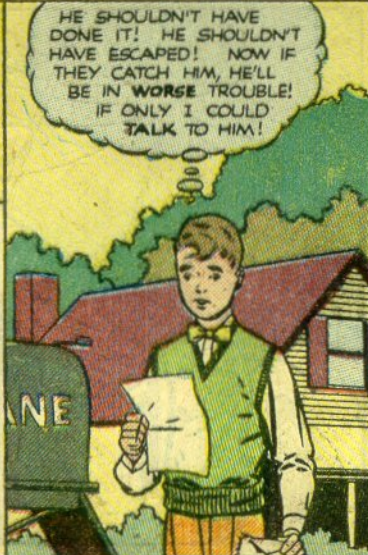


WHY NOT? THIS WOULD BE IDEAL! WHERE COULD I FIND A BETTER HIDEOUT?

OKAY! IT'S A DEAL!

FINE! I GUESS YOU COULD USE SOME MONEY! HERE'S FIFTY DOLLARS IN ADVANCE, JOE!

"DEAR JOHNNY: I CAN'T TELL YOU WHERE I AM OR WHAT I'M DOING, BUT I HOPE I CAN SOON BE TOGETHER! ENCLOSED IS \$25, AND I'LL SEND YOU MONEY REGULARLY EVERY WEEK! BE A GOOD BOY AND DON'T WORRY ABOUT ME! I'M SORRY I BROKE OUT OF PRISON, BUT I HAD TO DO IT! LOVE, DAD P.S. DON'T LET ANYONE READ THIS LETTER."



HE SHOULDN'T HAVE DONE IT! HE SHOULDN'T HAVE ESCAPED! NOW IF THEY CATCH HIM, HE'LL BE IN WORSE TROUBLE! IF ONLY I COULD TALK TO HIM!



FROM THE WAY THAT KID REACTED TO THAT LETTER, I'M PRETTY SURE IT'S FROM HIS OLD MAN! IT WAS A GOOD HUNCH FIGURING HE'D WRITE TO THE BOY!

LET'S SEE HIM BEFORE HE GETS A CHANCE TO HIDE THE LETTER!



LOOK, AUNT HARRIET, DAD DID WRITE TO ME! HE SAID NOT TO SHOW ANYONE THE LETTER, BUT HE DIDN'T MEAN YOU! GOSH, I WISH HE HADN'T RUN AWAY! I'VE MISSED HIM, BUT I'D RATHER HAVE WAITED TILL HE WAS RELEASED!



ARE YOU JOHNNY CRANE? WE'RE LOOKING FOR YOUR FATHER! DO YOU KNOW WHERE HE IS?

N. NO! OH, NO!

THEN WHAT'S THAT LETTER YOU'RE TRYING TO HIDE?



GIVE ME BACK THAT LETTER! IT'S MINE!

JUST WHAT I FIGURED! HE DID WRITE TO THE KID! THIS WILL SAVE US A LOT OF TIME TRACKING HIM DOWN! THE POSTMARK ON THE ENVELOPE IS EVANSDALE!



IF THEY CATCH DAD IT WILL BE ALL MY FAULT! WHY CAN'T THEY LEAVE HIM ALONE?

HUSH, JOHNNY! IT WASN'T YOUR FAULT! THEY'D HAVE FOUND HIM SOONER OR LATER, ANYHOW!



JOHNNY! WHERE ARE YOU GOING? - YOU'RE GOING TO YOUR DAD, AREN'T YOU?

I HAVE TO, AUNT HARRIET! I HAVE TO FIND DAD BEFORE THOSE MEN DO!



OH, JOHNNY, I SHOULDN'T LET YOU DO IT BUT I KNOW IF I STOP YOU NOW, YOU'LL ONLY WAIT FOR ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY! I MAY AS WELL LET YOU GO! HERE, TAKE THIS MONEY AND WRITE ME A CARD EVERY DAY SO I'LL KNOW WHERE TO FIND YOU!



YOU'VE DONE A FINE JOB ON THE BOOKS, JOE! I HOPE YOU'LL STAY WITH US A LONG TIME! IF THERE IS ANYTHING YOU NEED TO MAKE THE WORK EASIER LET ME KNOW!

THANKS, MR. DONOVAN! COME TO THINK OF IT, I THINK THERE ARE SOME CANCELLED CHECKS IN THE SAFE THAT I SHOULD CHECK!

GREATEST SHOW ON E



HERE'S THE CHANCE I'VE BEEN WAITING FOR! THIS MIRROR IS GREAT! SIX LEFT, TWELVE RIGHT...

MY WIFE AND I WOULD LIKE YOU TO HAVE DINNER WITH US SOME NIGHT, JOE!



I CAN'T SEEM TO FIND THOSE CHECKS, JOE!

NO WONDER! HOW STUPID OF ME! THEY WERE IN THIS DESK DRAWER ALL THE TIME...

...RIGHT WHERE I HID THEM IN THE FIRST PLACE!

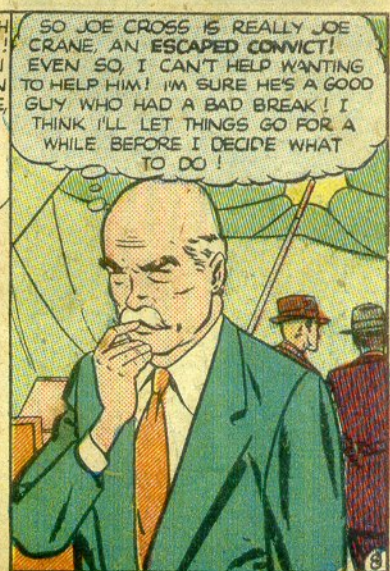


HE'S SO TRUSTING I HATE TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF HIM BUT JUST ONE NIGHT'S RECEIPTS WOULD BE A BIG ENOUGH STAKE FOR JOHNNY AND ME TO START ALL OVER AGAIN! I'LL CHANGE MY NAME IN A NEW CITY!



NO! I'VE NEVER SEEN HIM BEFORE IN MY LIFE! MAYBE HE WAS JUST PASSING THROUGH THIS TOWN WHEN HE MAILED THE LETTER!

I HAVE A HUNCH HE'S STILL HERE! IF YOU HAPPEN TO SPOT HIM IN YOUR AUDIENCE, OR IF HE HITS YOU FOR A JOB, LET US KNOW! WE ARE AT THE GLENOX HOTEL!



SO JOE CROSS IS REALLY JOE CRANE, AN ESCAPED CONVICT! EVEN SO, I CAN'T HELP WANTING TO HELP HIM! I'M SURE HE'S A GOOD GUY WHO HAD A BAD BREAK! I THINK I'LL LET THINGS GO FOR A WHILE BEFORE I DECIDE WHAT TO DO!



HIYAH, WISE GUYS! I HOPE YOU'VE BEEN BEHAVING YOURSELVES! GUESS WHAT I'VE GOT IN MY HAND?

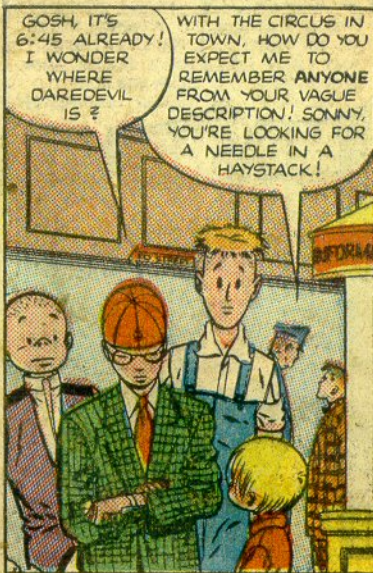
STAGE MONEY?

I SAY THEY'RE POST-CARDS!



THEY'RE CIRCUS TICKETS! I CAN'T JOIN YOU NOW! YOU KIDS RUN ALONG! I'LL MEET YOU AT THE EVANSDALE STATION AT 6:30!

YIPPEE! CIRCUS TICKETS! YUM-YUM!



GOSH, IT'S 6:45 ALREADY! I WONDER WHERE DAREDEVIL IS?

WITH THE CIRCUS IN TOWN, HOW DO YOU EXPECT ME TO REMEMBER ANYONE FROM YOUR VAGUE DESCRIPTION! SONNY, YOU'RE LOOKING FOR A NEEDLE IN A HAYSTACK!



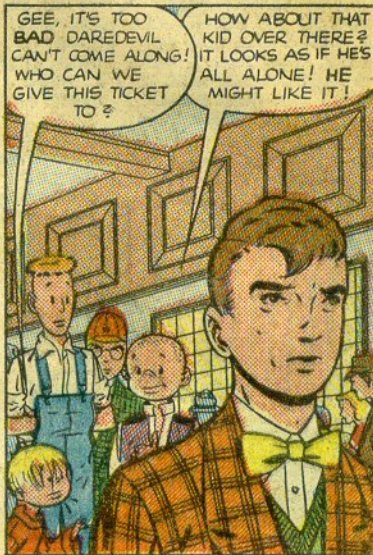
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OH-OH-THAT MUST BE DAREDEVIL! HE'S THE ONLY ONE WHO KNOWS WHERE WE ARE!



I WON'T BE ABLE TO GET TO THE CIRCUS, SCARECROW! I'LL BE STUCK AT HEADQUARTERS UNTIL MID-NIGHT! YOU BOYS GO AHEAD—AND GIVE MY TICKET TO SOMEBODY ELSE!

OKAY, D.D.! GOSH, I'M SORRY YOU WON'T BE WITH US!



GEE, IT'S TOO BAD DAREDEVIL CAN'T COME ALONG! WHO CAN WE GIVE THIS TICKET TO?

HOW ABOUT THAT KID OVER THERE? IT LOOKS AS IF HE'S ALL ALONE! HE MIGHT LIKE IT!



HEY! HOW WOULD YOU LIKE A TICKET TO THE CIRCUS FOR TONIGHT? WE HAVE AN EXTRA ONE!

NO THANKS! I'M LOOKING FOR SOMEBODY! HE'S SOMEPLACE HERE IN EVANSDALE AND I'VE GOT TO FIND HIM!



IMAGINE ANYONE TURNING DOWN A FREE TICKET TO THE CIRCUS! YOU MUST HAVE PROBLEMS!

MAYBE WHOEVER YOU'RE LOOKING FOR MIGHT BE AT THE CIRCUS! WHY NOT LOOK THERE?

THAT'S AN IDEA!



OKAY, I GUESS MAYBE I WILL ACCEPT YOUR OFFER!

HUH! YOU COULD AT LEAST SOUND MORE ENTHUSIASTIC! HEY! THERE'S THE CIRCUS BUS! LET'S GO!



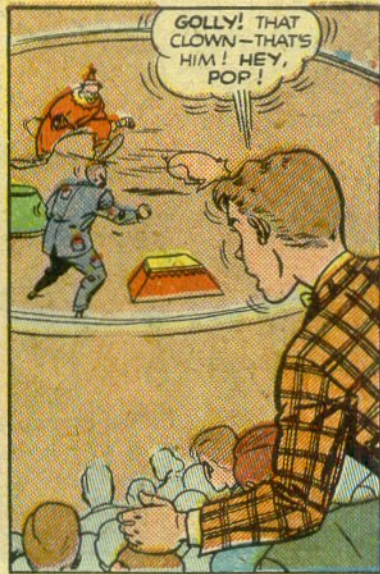
WHAT A WASTE GIVING THAT DOPE THE TICKET! HE HASN'T PAID ATTENTION TO A SINGLE ACT! ALL HE DOES IS LOOK AT THE AUDIENCE! I THINK HE'S A LITTLE BALKY!

FORGET IT, PEE WEE! DON'T LET IT SPOIL OUR GOOD TIME! JEEPERS, THAT GUY ON THE MIDDLE TRAPEZE IS GOOD!



GET A LOAD OF THOSE CLOWNS! BOY! I LOVE THE CLOWN ACT

UHUH!



GOLLY! THAT CLOWN—THAT'S HIM! HEY, POP!



EXCUSE ME, PLEASE! I SEE THE PERSON I'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR! I MUST GET TO HIM RIGHT AWAY!



HE SURE IS A FUNNY GUY! I DON'T BLAME YOU FOR THINKING HE'S A LITTLE NUTS, PEE WEE!



JOHNNY! HOW DID YOU FIND ME?

GEE, DAD! I HAD TO FIND YOU!



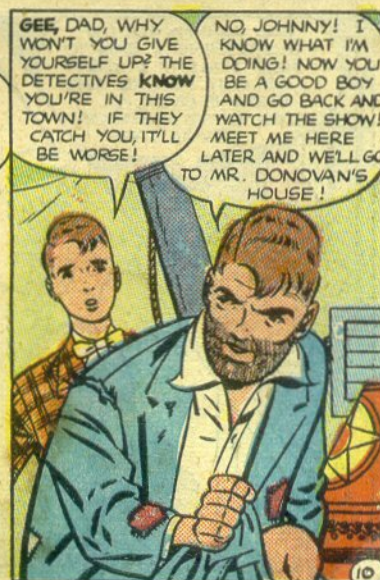
PLEASE DON'T BE MAD AT ME FOR TRACKING YOU DOWN, DAD, BUT TWO DETECTIVES CAME TO THE HOUSE AND THEY SNATCHED YOUR LETTER OUT OF MY HAND!

DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT, SON! IT'S SO GOOD TO SEE YOU! I JUST DIDN'T WANT YOU TO GET MIXED UP IN ANY TROUBLE! I WAS GOING TO SEND FOR YOU, ANYHOW! HERE COMES MR. DONOVAN!



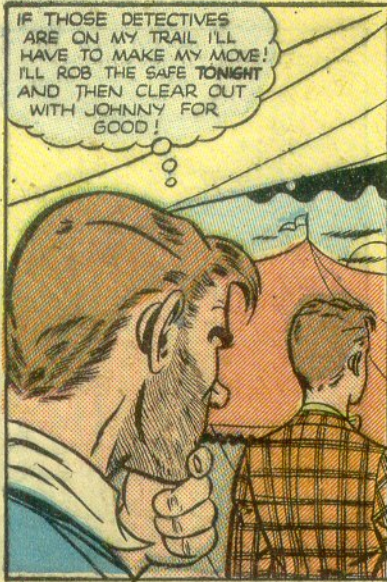
I'D LIKE YOU TO MEET MY BOY, JOHNNY, MR. DONOVAN! MR. DONOVAN MANAGES THE CIRCUS, JOHNNY!

I'M GLAD TO MEET YOU, JOHNNY! SAY, JOE, HOW ABOUT BRINGING JOHNNY OVER FOR A BITE TO EAT IN MY CAR AFTER THE SHOW? I KNOW MY WIFE WOULD LIKE TO MEET HIM!



GEE, DAD, WHY WON'T YOU GIVE YOURSELF UP? THE DETECTIVES KNOW YOU'RE IN THIS TOWN! IF THEY CATCH YOU, IT'LL BE WORSE!

NO, JOHNNY! I KNOW WHAT I'M DOING! NOW YOU BE A GOOD BOY AND GO BACK AND WATCH THE SHOW! MEET ME HERE LATER AND WE'LL GO TO MR. DONOVAN'S HOUSE!



IF THOSE DETECTIVES ARE ON MY TRAIL I'LL HAVE TO MAKE MY MOVE! I'LL ROB THE SAFE TONIGHT AND THEN CLEAR OUT WITH JOHNNY FOR GOOD!

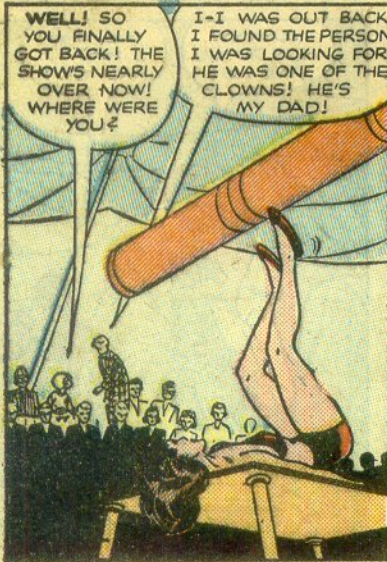


YOUR SON IS A FINE BOY, JOE! WHAT'S BOTHERING YOU, JOE? YOU SEEM TO HAVE SOMETHING ON YOUR MIND!

WHO, ME? OH NO-I'M FINE! I'M STILL SURPRISED TO SEE JOHNNY, THAT'S ALL!



THERE'S SOMETHING EATING JOE! HE'S BREWING UP SOMETHING! I WISH I COULD GET HIM TO CONFIDE IN ME! IF I COULD TELL HIM THAT I KNOW ALL ABOUT HIS PAST WITHOUT HIS RUNNING OUT ON ME!



WELL! SO YOU FINALLY GOT BACK! THE SHOW'S NEARLY OVER NOW! WHERE WERE YOU?

I-I WAS OUT BACK! I FOUND THE PERSON I WAS LOOKING FOR! HE WAS ONE OF THE CLOWNS! HE'S MY DAD!



YOU'RE ACTING SO FUNNY! I SHOULD THINK NOW THAT YOU FOUND HIM YOU'D FEEL GLAD! IF HE'S YOUR FATHER, HOW COME YOU DIDN'T KNOW HE WAS WORKING IN THE CIRCUS IN THE FIRST PLACE?

IT'S A LONG STORY! HE... THAT IS... OH, GOSH, I HAVE TO TELL SOMEBODY! I CAN'T KEEP IT TO MYSELF ANY LONGER!



...AND I KNOW HE ESCAPED FROM PRISON BECAUSE HE WANTED TO TAKE CARE OF ME BUT THINGS WON'T BE RIGHT UNLESS HE GOES BACK! IF ONLY I COULD FIND SOMEONE WHO COULD CONVINCE HIM! HE WON'T LISTEN TO ME!

IF ANYONE CAN CONVINCE HIM-D.D. IS THE ONE! LET'S CALL HIM, JOHNNY!



TELL JOHNNY I'LL DO EVERYTHING I CAN TO HELP HIM! IF I CAN'T GET OUT BEFORE THE SHOW IS OVER, I'LL COME TO THE MANAGER'S PRIVATE CAR!

SWELL, D.D.: I'LL TELL JOHNNY WE'LL WAIT HERE FOR YOU!



I HAVE A FINE IDEA, JOE! WHY NOT HAVE JOHNNY JOIN UP WITH US? THERE ARE LOTS OF CIRCUS FOLKS WITH CHILDREN! HE'LL HAVE COMPANIONSHIP AND BEST OF ALL YOU'D HAVE HIM WITH YOU!

NO! NO, I'D RATHER NOT! I HAVE OTHER PLANS!



IS SOMETHING WRONG, JOE? WHY NOT TALK IT OUT? MAYBE I CAN HELP YOU!

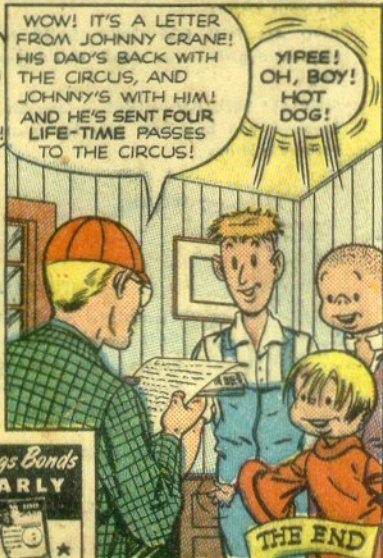
NOTHING'S WRONG! IF YOU'LL EXCUSE ME, THERE'S SOME WORK I SHOULD DO IN THE OFFICE CAR! JOHNNY YOU STAY HERE! I'LL BE BACK!

IF ONLY MR. DONOVAN WAS SOMEONE I HATED—IF HE WOULDN'T BE SO GOOD TO ME— I HATE STEALING FROM HIM, BUT I NEED THE MONEY FOR JOHNNY AND ME TO MAKE A NEW START!

THERE'S ENOUGH HERE FOR US TO GET OUT OF THE COUNTRY! I'LL HAVE MY FACE OPERATED ON! I'LL GET ME A COUPLE OF GUNS MAYBE! I'LL...

"DEAR MR. DONOVAN AND JOHNNY, I WAS GOING TO STEAL THE CIRCUS MONEY FOR A NEW START IN LIFE, BUT I CAN'T DO IT! INSTEAD, I'M LEAVING! I'M NO GOOD FOR JOHNNY AS A FATHER!"

IT'S NO USE—THIS LETTER DOESN'T SAY WHAT I MEAN! IT WON'T HELP JOHNNY UNDERSTAND! I'LL JUST CLEAR OUT!



I JUST KNEW YOU COULDN'T DO IT, DAD! EVEN WHEN I SAW YOU OPEN THE SAFE, I STILL BELIEVED IN YOU!

I GUESS THERE'S JUST ONE THING FOR ME TO DO—GO BACK AND FACE THE MUSIC! THAT'S WHAT YOU WANT ME TO DO, ISN'T IT, JOHNNY?

DON'T LET HIS ESCAPE COUNT AGAINST HIS PAROLE! IF YOU'LL RELEASE HIM, MR. DONOVAN WILL GIVE HIM HIS JOB BACK IN THE CIRCUS AND HIS SON CAN LIVE WITH HIM! I'LL GUARANTEE HIS HONESTY!

YOUR WORD IS GOOD ENOUGH FOR US, DAREDEVIL!

WOW! IT'S A LETTER FROM JOHNNY CRANE! HIS DAD'S BACK WITH THE CIRCUS, AND JOHNNY'S WITH HIM! AND HE'S SENT FOUR LIFE-TIME PASSES TO THE CIRCUS!

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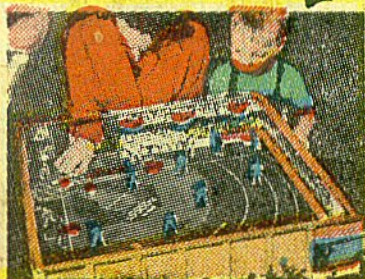
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Frances Paulus
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Kathryn Pshirrer
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I have just finished reading Daredevil Comics. They are the best comics I have ever read. Here is my suggestion. Why not have the Wise Guys visit some other country and get lost or have some strange adventure? Please keep up the good work.

Jack Coates
600 Dinwiddie St.
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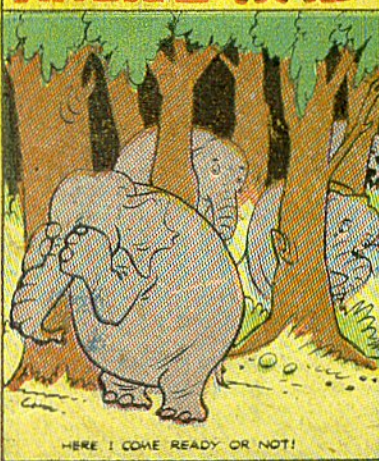
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STAMP PAGE by SIDNEY M. ELIAS

"PULLING BONERS" on stamps, as described in a previous article, is the making of embarrassing mistakes by engravers who produce the designs which appear on stamps. In spite of careful research into old pictures and records these mistakes continue to occur and in the following paragraphs some of the recent "boners" are explained.

In 1933, Canada issued a 5-cent stamp to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the first passage under steam by the steamship Royal William. This vessel was a paddle wheeler, whereas the engraver unwittingly shows the Royal William to be a screw-propeller type of ship.


A really embarrassing mistake or prize "boner", occurred on the Soviet Russian stamp of 1936, issued in commemoration of the 100th birthday of Nicolai Dobrolubov, a famous Russian revolutionary writer and critic. The portrait on the stamp shows Nicolai Dobrolubov, however, beneath his portrait appears the caption A. N. Dobrolubov, the name of a mystical religious poet who is detested by the Communists.

On the stamps of Gambia, the British colony in West Africa, there appeared in the 1922 issue a picture of an elephant with its hind legs formed like those of a horse. Elephants have only two rear leg joints whereas a horse has more than two. Stamp collectors called attention to this error and it was widely published. However, in 1938 when the new series of stamps showing King George VI appeared, the same elephant with the faulty legs was reproduced.

The Australian commemorative set of 1937, issued on the 150th anniversary of the founding of New South Wales, depicts Governor Phillip landing at Sydney Cove in 1788 wearing epaulettes on his shoulder. According to the author of British Naval Customs and Traditions, epaulettes were not worn on uniforms until 1795.

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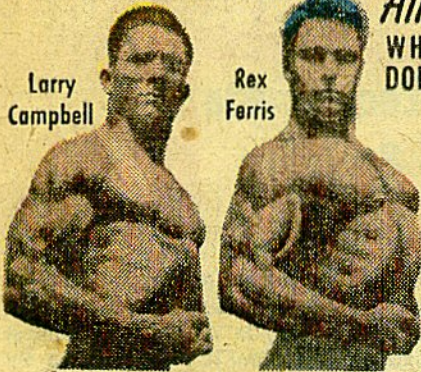
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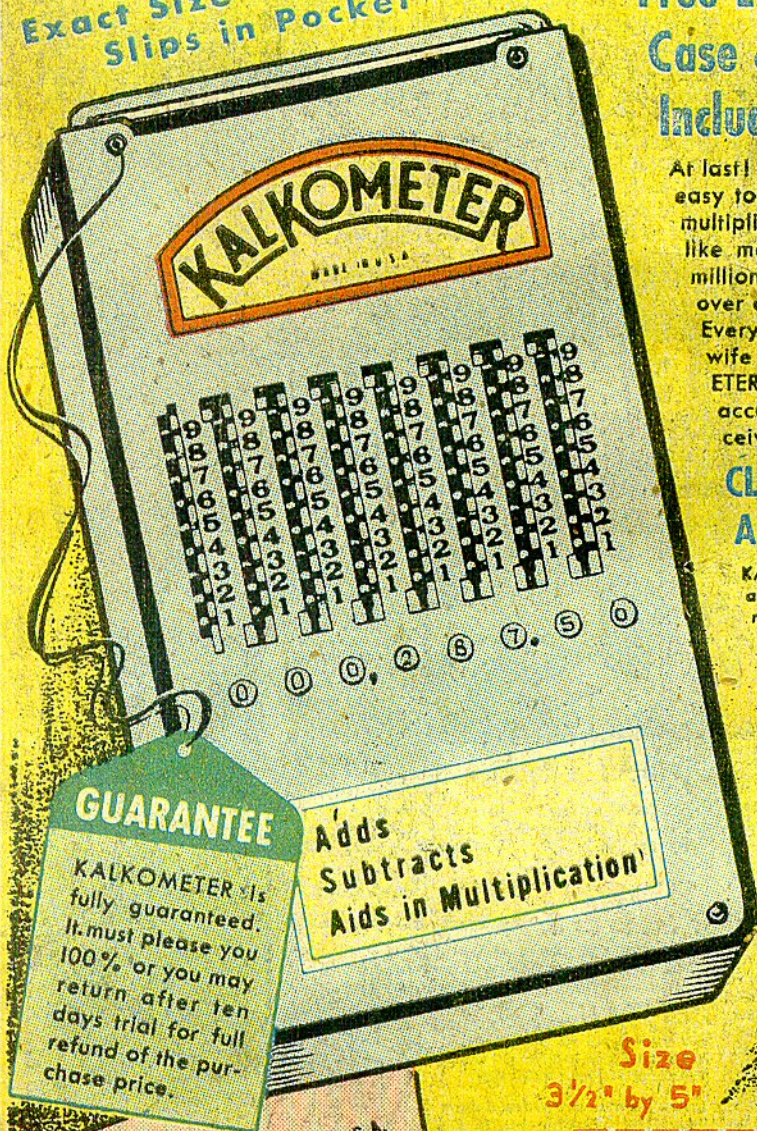
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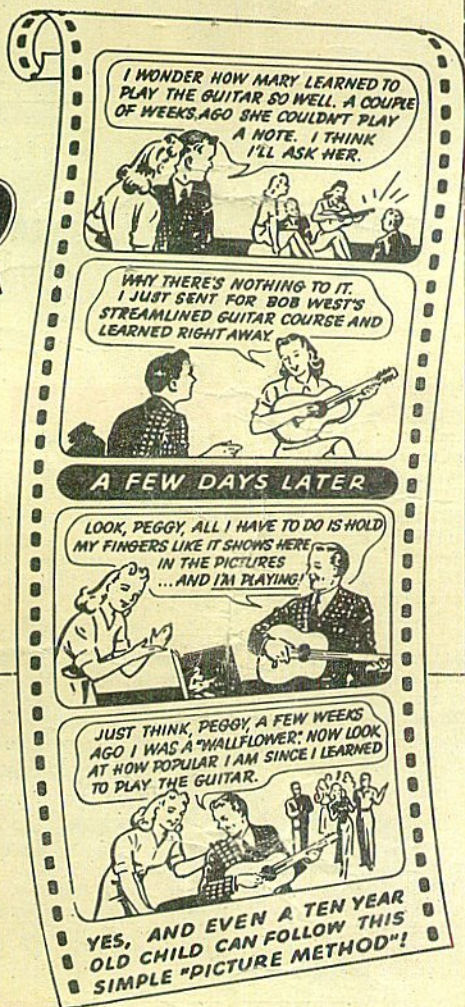
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